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I like having tea outside. About two years ago, I worked at a tea house. During the day, it would be the best if I had a seat by the window with a good view, smoking and drinking coffee.

I thought it was worth the money.

The sunset was wonderful too.

I like taking my time and being laid-back, but others usually say I'm "a lethargic guy."

Well, I'm not hot-blooded, but…

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The transfer student, Jmawano Shizuru, appeared before Kagura and Kensuke. She is next in line to be the head of the family for a dark organization, "Jougondou," which originated from Onmyoudou long ago. Shizuru, travels around the world to collect the scattered "Sesshouseki" in order to gain the tremendous spiritual power of the "Kinmou Kyuubi Fox," and has declared war against Kagura. With Kensuke on the line-and a "Sesshouseki" within his body-the battle of the maidens, Kagura vs. Shizuru, breaks out!

This is non-stop, after-school exorcist action, volume 4!

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PACIFIC OCEAN, COAST OF JAPAN, 5:00 A.M.

sfx: rumble rumble

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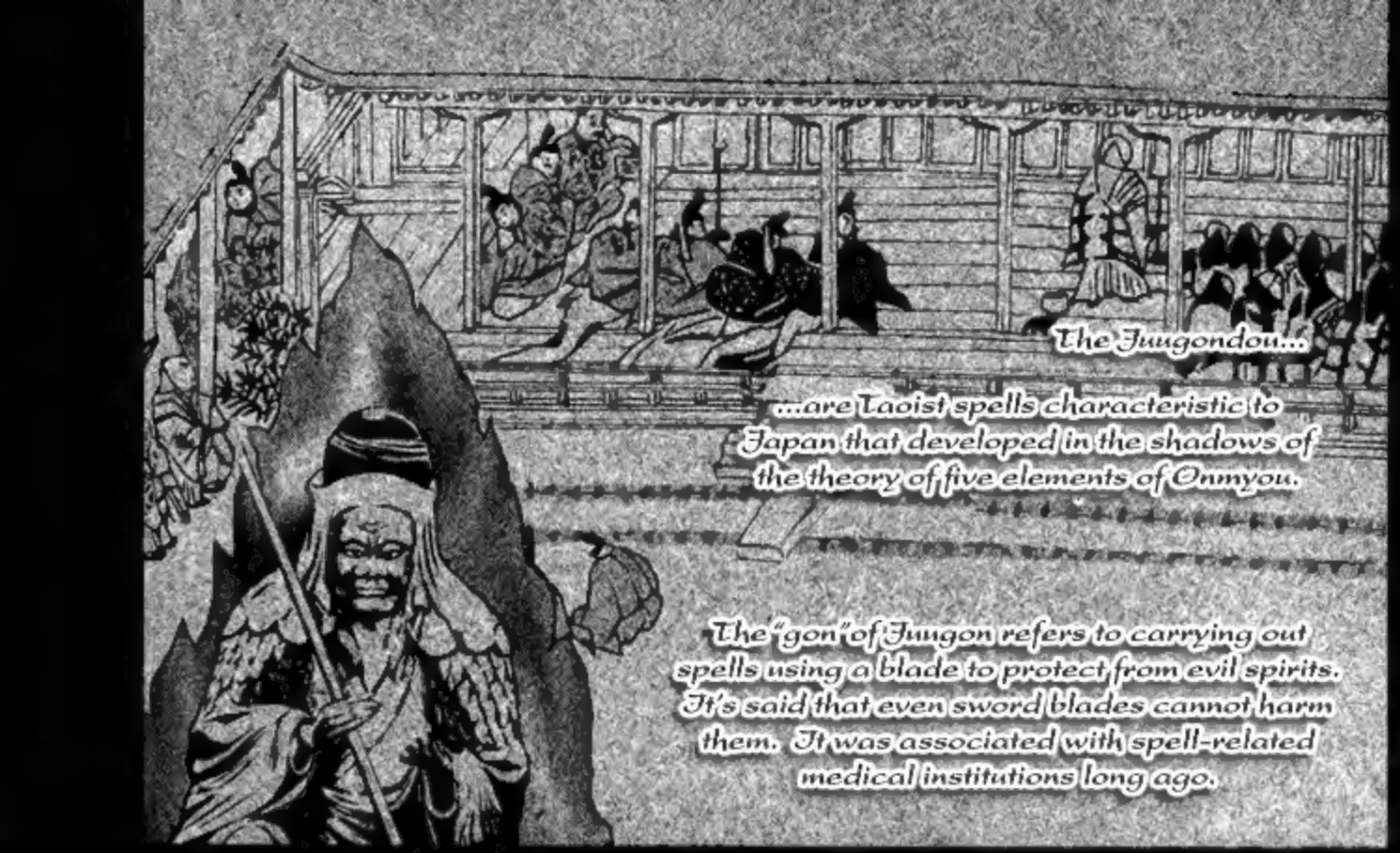

The Juugondou...
...are Taoist spells characteristic to Japan that developed in the shadows of the theory of five elements of Onmyou.
The "gon" of Juugon refers to carrying out spells using a blade to protect from evil spirits. It's said that even sword blades cannot harm them. It was associated with spell-related medical institutions long ago.

However, it was abolished during the closing years of the Nara era by Kibi no Masabi, and was said to have been absorbed into Onmyoudou.

SEEMS LIKE IT.
SHIZURU'S A SURVIVOR OF THAT GROUP...
SO...
THE GYUUDON HOUSE
Beef Rice
Curry
Grilled Meat Special
THE GYUUDON HOUSE

AFTER THAT, THE ANCESTORS OF JUUGONDOU WERE CHASED BY THE ADMINISTRATION AND ESCAPED OVERSEAS...
...AND CONCEALED THEMSELVES IN THE UNDERWORLD.

Chapter 13

The Women's Great Battleship

The Yamato Amongst Women

"This has nothing to do with you! You're not even his lover!"
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.
HM?
HEY, WERE YOU EVEN LISTENING?
.....
WE'LL PROTECT YOU.
...but, just a short time ago, I was an ordinary high school student.
I've said it many times...
sfx: Boom

sfx: Appear
GOOD MORNING, NIMURA!

I'd never thought that going to school...
...could be so depressing.
SHE CAME HERE LIKE A NORMAL PERSON ...
ON TOP OF THAT, WE'RE EVEN IN THE SAME CLASS.

Well, that's a problem.
YOU WERE SO LATE, I WAS CONSIDERING HEADING ON BACK HOME!
WELL, AREN'T YOU GUYS CUTTING IT CLOSE FOR ATTENDANCE!

AMAZING. HE'S TALKING TO THAT TRANSFER STUDENT AS THOUGH IT WERE NOTHING.
THAT'S WHY I SAID, YOU KNOW, LAST TIME IN THE BATHROOM,
SOMETHING DEFINITELY HAPPENED.
STAND
JUST WHAT ARE YOU PLANNING?
YOU'RE EVEN BRINGING CHAOS INTO THIS SCHOOL.
IF YOU'RE AIMING FOR THE SESSHOU-SEKI,
NOT REALLY,
I'M JUST ACTING ON MY WHIMS.

SUCH AS BEING A STUDENT LIKE TSUCHIMIYA-SAN!
UNTIL NOW, I'VE NEVER DONE ANYTHING "NORMAL" LIKE THIS,
SO WHY NOT ENJOY IT WHEN THE OPPORTUNITY COMES ALONG?

Haha!
YOU'RE ONE TO BE TALKING.

NO WAY!
"COMES ALONG"...
JUST HOW DID YOU MANIPULATE OTHERS...

WHA-?!
YOU'RE THE ONE TAKING ADVANTAGE OF BEING A GIRL...
...AND MANIPULATING NIMURA!
A USELESS PERSON...
.. WHO CAN'T EVEN FEED HER PET DOG...
...HAS NO RIGHT TO COMPLAIN TO ME!
JUST TRY IT, YOU GOVERNMENT DOG!!
YOU'RE THE HOMO HERE!
I'M GONNA REPORT YOU!
ARE YOU HUMAN?!
WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING AT, DAMN IT?!

IS SHE TRYING TO GET ME TO GO ON AN ALL-OUT WAR AGAINST HER JUUGONDOU RIGHT HERE?!
SHE SAID I WAS USELESS!

ALTHOUGH THEY'RE AN INFORMAL ORGANIZATION, WE'RE FROM A GOVERNMENT INSTITUTION. SO...
Want an onigiri?
YOU HAVE TO CHOOSE YOUR TIMING CAREFULLY OR THINGS WILL GO BAD.

NO, WELL, THAT'S A BIT COMPLICATED..
IT'S THE SAME! I WAS AIMING FOR KEN-CHAN!

AM I MANIPULATING KEN-CHAN THAT MUCH?!
I MEAN, I WAS A BIT PUSHY AT FIRST, BUT..!

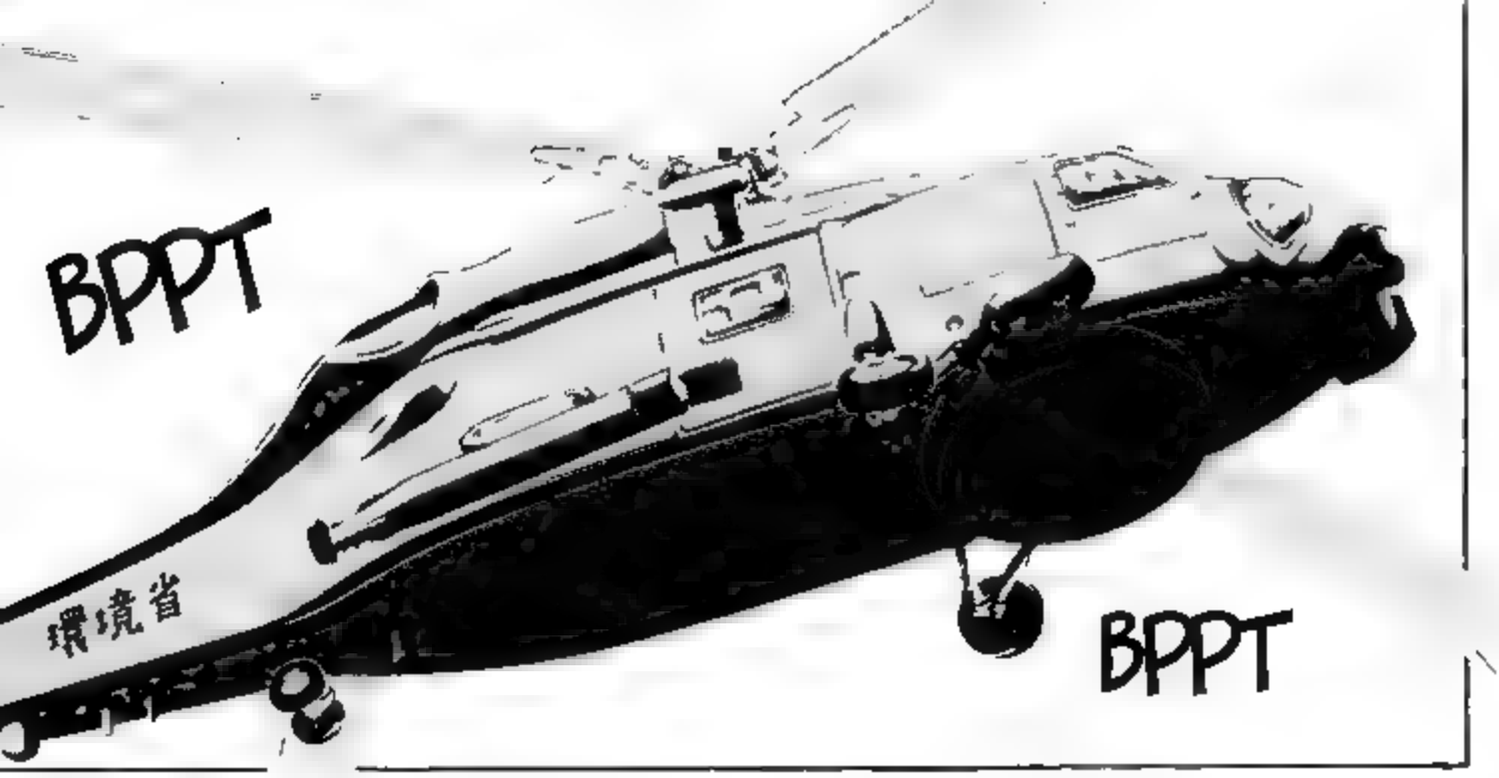
WHAT WAS THAT?!

G...
THEN, WHY DON'T YOU JUST GO OUT WITH HIM?
?!
IF YOU'RE SO CONCERNED...
SFX Boom
TZZZZZZZ
G-
TREMBLE
TREMBLE
GO ...
WHY'S SHE REACTING SO MUCH?
SHE'S SMOKING...
I NEVER THOUGHT SHE WOULD, BUT.
AH!
I SEE...

she has no resistance now that the conversation has turned to "love"!
..up until now, she had been living by killing off her feelings,

sfx: rumble rumble

sfx: Slam


BPPT
環境省
BPPT

BPPT
BPPT

thinks of me
But I don't know what Ken-chan
BPPT

emotion
She said to go out
BPPT

THAT'S AN AMAZING AMOUNT OF FOG
WE'RE ALMOST THERE
IS SHE STILL MISUNDER-STANDING WHAT HAPPENED LAST TIME?
SHE'S BEEN ACTING KIND OF STRANGE LATELY...
AND IT MIGHT BE A BURDEN FOR HIM.
MY LUCK TODAY IS.
SFX rumble rumble

WHOA ...
DON'T LET YOUR GUARD DOWN.
THE JAPANESE COAST GUARD IS FORTIFYING TSELF INSIDE THE BAY..
...BUT THIS DISASTER ISN'T OF THE USUAL SCOPE...
sfx rumble rumble
A. .
A GHOST SHIP?!
ARTMENT
AND IT'S FLYING. .

sfx: Ugaaaaaaah

sfx: Rip

RATHER, I DON'T HAVE A WEAPON, OLD MAN!
...WHO DIED IN THE SHIPWRECK...
THIS SHIP... IS ATTRACTING THE PEOPLE...

RIGHT NOW MASTER MICHAEL IS PERSONALLY CREATING A BLADE YOU CAN USE.
THIS IS A SUBSTITUTE UNTIL HE FINISHES IT.

USE THIS.

SFX Boom
Isn't this an iron?
HAMA
DOUGLAS 28
TAIMASHIKI KNUCKLES "DOUGLAS #28"!

IT'S FIRST-CLASS! GO AND USE IT!
CAN I EVEN FIGHT WITH THIS?!

sfx. SIMK SIMK

sfx. Explode
HOOOOOH!!!

sfx jump
KAGURA-SAN!
IT'S A "TURBAN SHELL DEMON"
IT'S HUGE
...OF THE GHOST SHIP?
IS THAT THE MAIN BODY...

UNUU
Seduction Option
I'll ascertain Ken-chan's feelings!
Once I've finished this for today,
I've decided.

I can't stand being all gloomy like this!
Namaku saraba Tatagyati Bujasaruba
Motta Bujasaruba Tataruta Senda.
Makaroshano Kan Capika Capika Sarubalmnan.
Un Tarata Kan Man.
That's right.
sfx Boom
After all, we've overcome so many trials together!
Acala Fire World Spell!

.. he doesn t...

...think anything of me?

But...

.what if...

I REALLY DO WANT TO PROTECT YOU...

...BUT I'D DO THAT FOR ANY FRIEND.

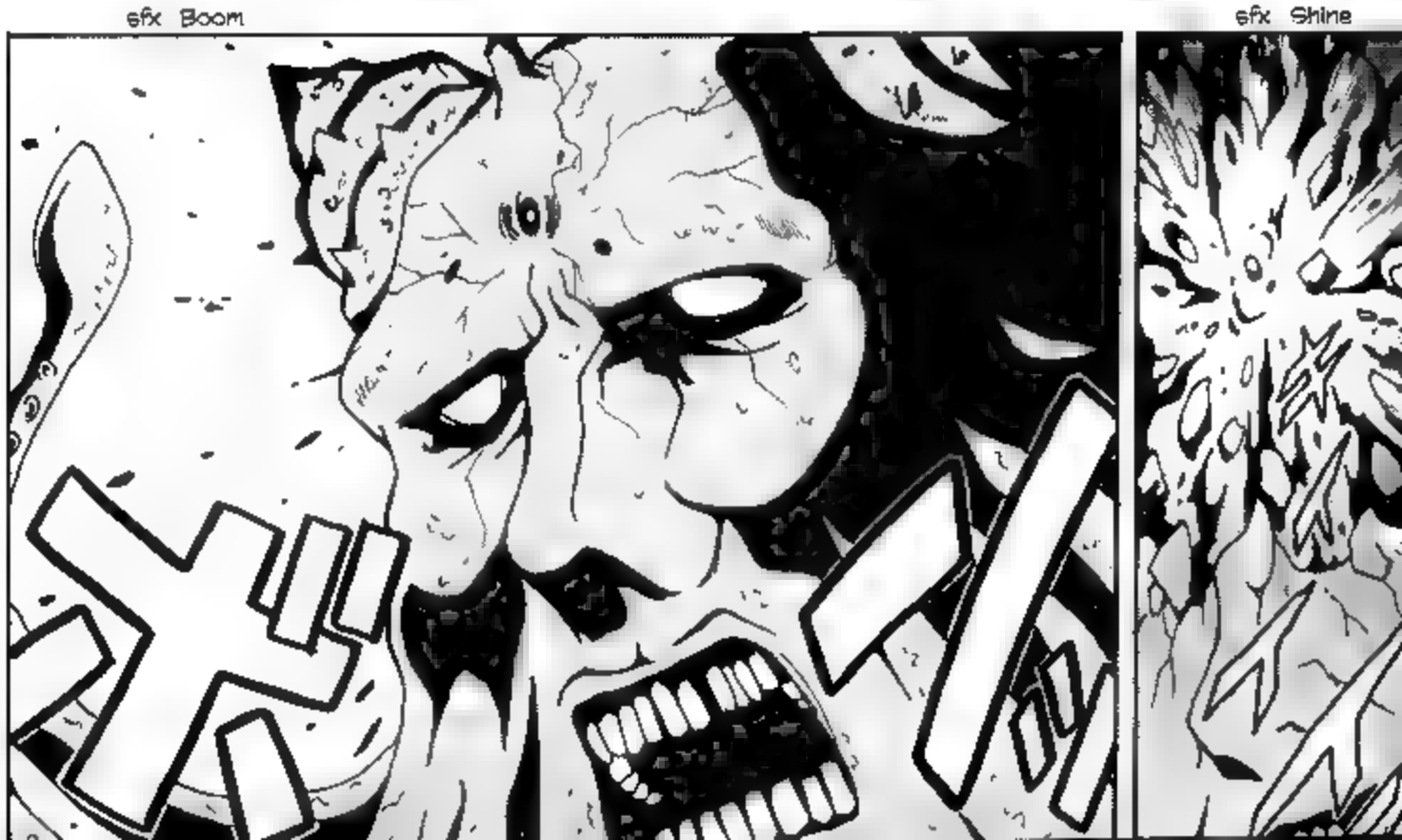
I'M SORRY, BUT I DON'T...

...THINK OF YOU IN THAT WAY.

Wait. wait, wait, wait!!

NERVOUS
NERVOUS
Productive emotion
KAGURA-SAN..?
WHAT'S "LIKE"?
WHAT'S "LOVE"?
BESIDES, WHAT DO I THINK OF KEN-CHAN?

sfx Gloop Gloop
IMPOS-SIBLE!
HEY, THAT MONSTER IS REGENERATING HIS WOUNDS!


sfx Boom
sfx Shine

A sesshou-seki?!
sfx. Nyokaaaah

I DON'T KNOW!
ARE THEY SELLING THEM IN SOME SUPER-MARKET?
WHY DOES HE HAVE A SESSHOU-SEKI?!

!?
THE "LITTLE MISTRESS" LAUGH?!
BPPT
BPPT
BPPT
OH HO HO HO!

SHE APPEARED!
productive emotion
THAT'S RIGHT!
IT'S JUNK SESSHOUSEKI THAT SLEPT IN THE OCEAN DEPTHS!
DIDN'T YOU KNOW?
WITH EACH SESSHOUSEKI THAT NIMURA CAPTURES,
THE CALL OF THE TENGU...
...AWAKENS ALL THE SESSHOUSEKI SLEEPING IN THE COUNTRY LIKE A SET OF SPEAKERS
sfx: Appear

sfx. Land

sfx. Boom

emotion
TSUCHIMIYA-SAN AND I WILL FIGHT EACH OTHER...
SO, I HAVE ONE MORE PROPOSITION.
...OVER THE SESSHOUSEKI ANYWAYS,
sfx Whoosh
SO WHY NOT BET ON NIMURA?
HOW ABOUT A COMPETITION ON WHO CAN COLLECT MORE SESSHOUSEKI?

IT'S NOT ALWAYS THAT I GET THE CHANCE, AND THIS IS MORE FUN ..
BESIDES IF WE DO IT NORMALLY,
HE'LL BE AN EASY WIN FOR ME ANYWAYS.
TWITCH
Wha?!
I CAN'T TELL WHAT YOU'RE SAYING, BUT...
UM...
productive emotion
IF YOU ACCEPT, I'LL LET YOU TAKE THAT STONE IN THE END!
HOW ABOUT IT, HEAD-OF-TSUCHIMIYA-FAMILY-DONO?

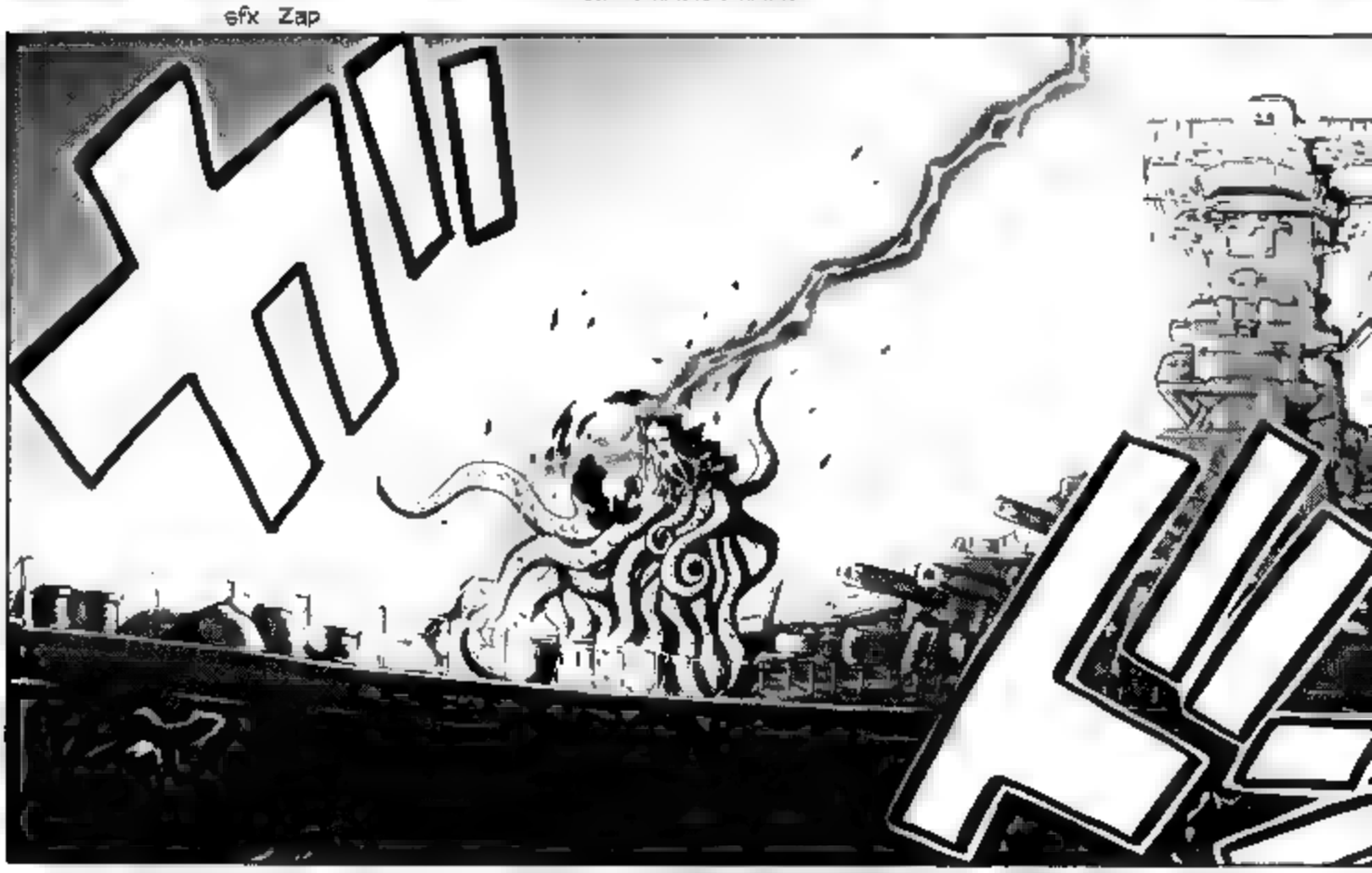
sfx: Whoosh

sfx Boom

sfx Thunk
WAAH!
IT'S NOT MY FAULT IF YOU REGRET IT.
sfx Rumble Rumble
SEEMS SO.
IT'S LIKE THEY DECIDED SOMETHING ON THEIR OWN...
WAIT. .

sfx Rumble Rumble

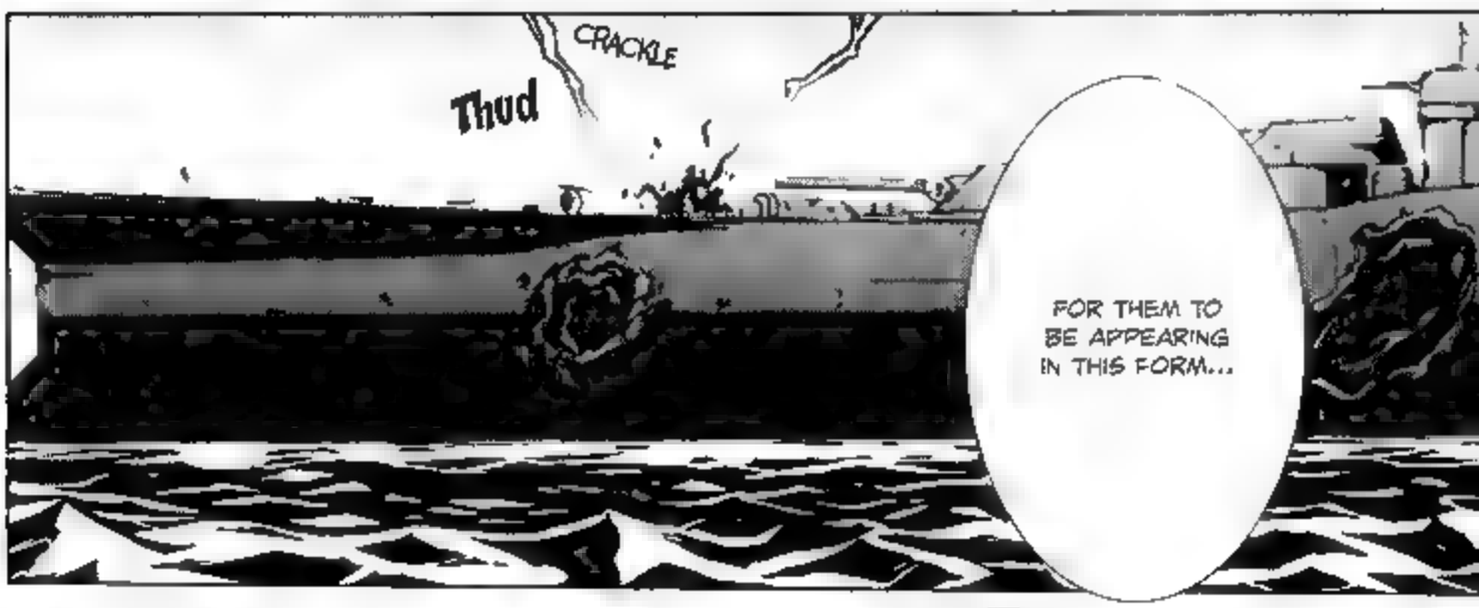
sfx Zap



sfx Jump
sfx: Gloop Gloop
NYOGAH
..we've somehow been left behind.
It's like..
.....
BOOM

...BUT IT SEEMS THAT A SHOWDOWN BETWEEN WOMEN...
...HAS STARTED BECAUSE OF YOU.
RUSTLE
I DON'T REALLY UNDERSTAND...

I'VE HEARD THAT SESSHOUSEKI...
.. THAT WERE SCATTERED TO VARIOUS LANDS LONG AGO STILL EXISTED,
BUT MUCH TIME HAS PASSED, SO THEY SHOULD HAVE LOST THEIR DEMONIC POWERS.


CRACKLE
Thud
FOR THEM TO BE APPEARING IN THIS FORM...

IT SEEMS SOMETHING BAD...
.. S HAPPEN NG AGAIN...
...IN A PLACE WE CANNOT REACH.

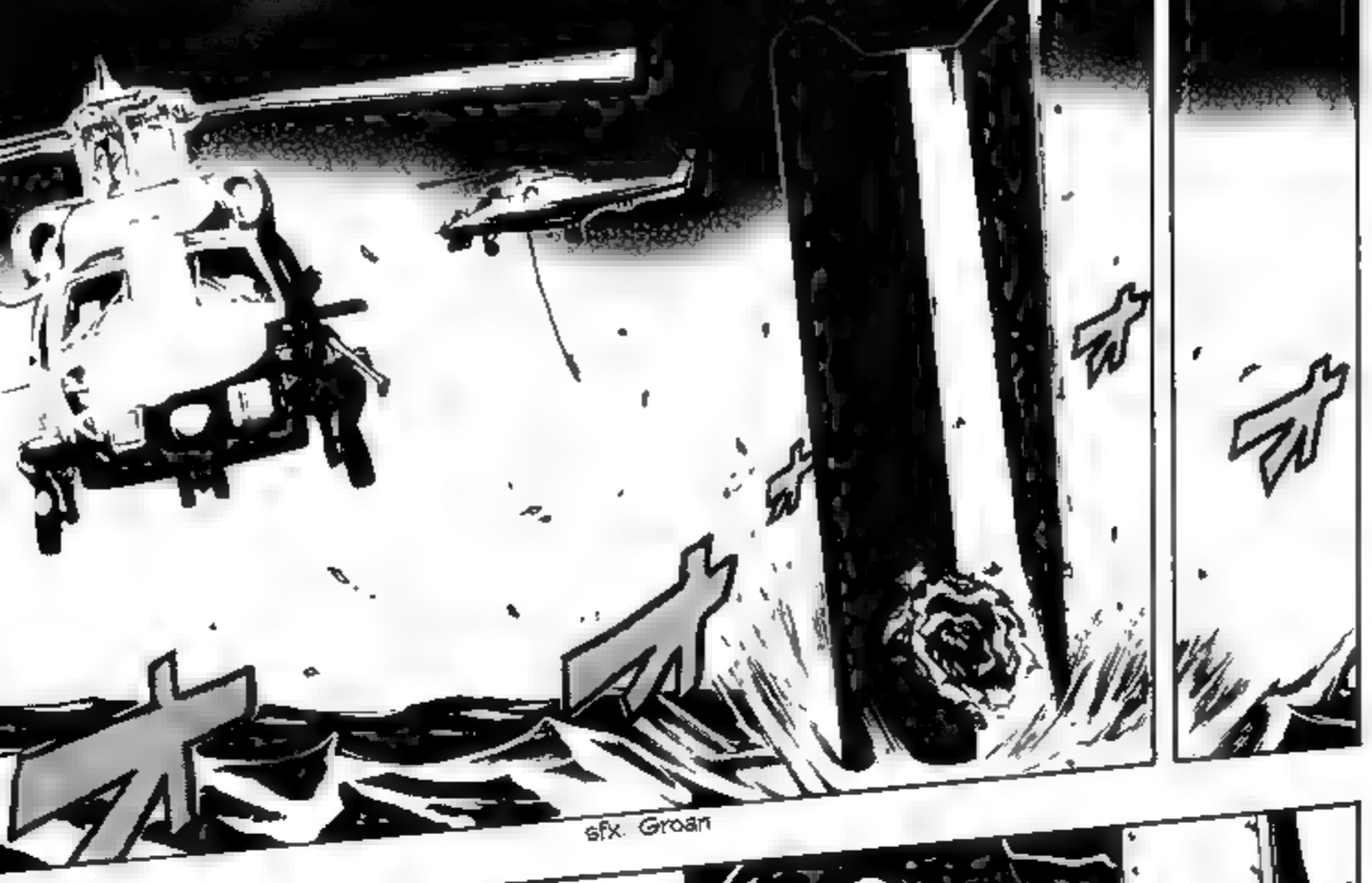
It can't be that I've been involved in something...
..that I haven't the slightest clue about?!
What's that?!

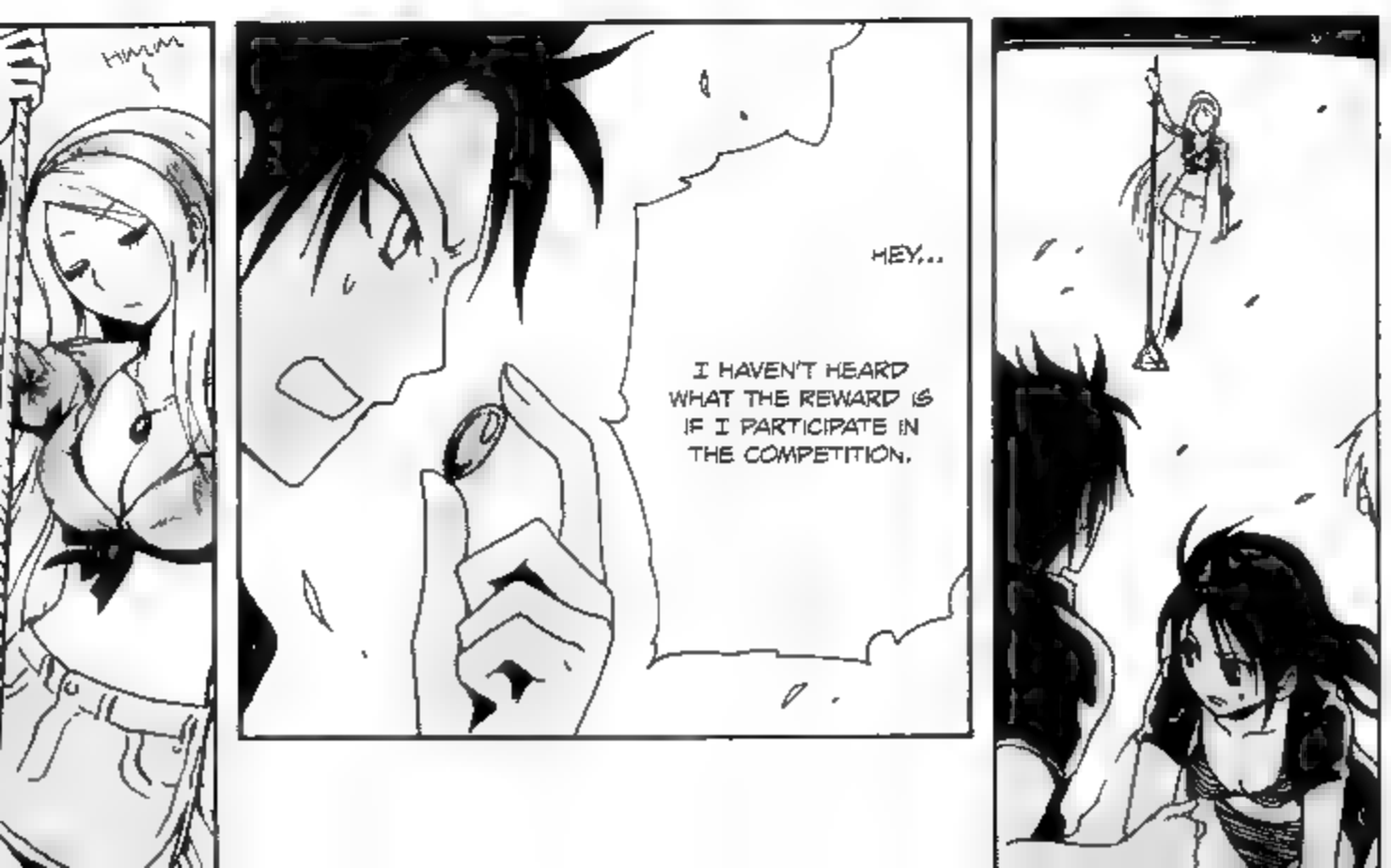
No, that's not the problem!
Rather, aren't I really popular right now?
WAAAAAAAA

SFX: Thunk
and Kagura is fighting to prevent that..
It's true that they're aiming for my sesshouseki.

...decide things on their own?!
sfx: Bang
sfx: Explode
DOUGLAS
AMATH
OH NO!
KEN-CHAN?
Didn't I hate when they...
More importantly, I'm being left out again...
No, wait, is that OK?!
No matter who wins, there's one good thing
sfx: Thunk

sfx: Crumble
HMPH!
sfx: Splash
sfx: Bppt Bppt
GET IN THE HELICOPTER!
IT LOST ITS ABILITY TO FLOAT!
sfx: Crash


sfx. Groan


HMM
HEY...
I HAVEN'T HEARD WHAT THE REWARD IS IF I PARTICIPATE IN THE COMPETITION.

IF YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT ENTERING, YOU'VE ALREADY DONE THAT A LONG TIME AGO...
...IN THE CONFLICT FOR THE POWER...
IO JAPAN
Q.B. FOX
...OF THE "KINMOU KYUUBI FOX."
THE MYSTERY THAT ATTACKED THE CAPITAL A THOUSAND YEARS AGO.

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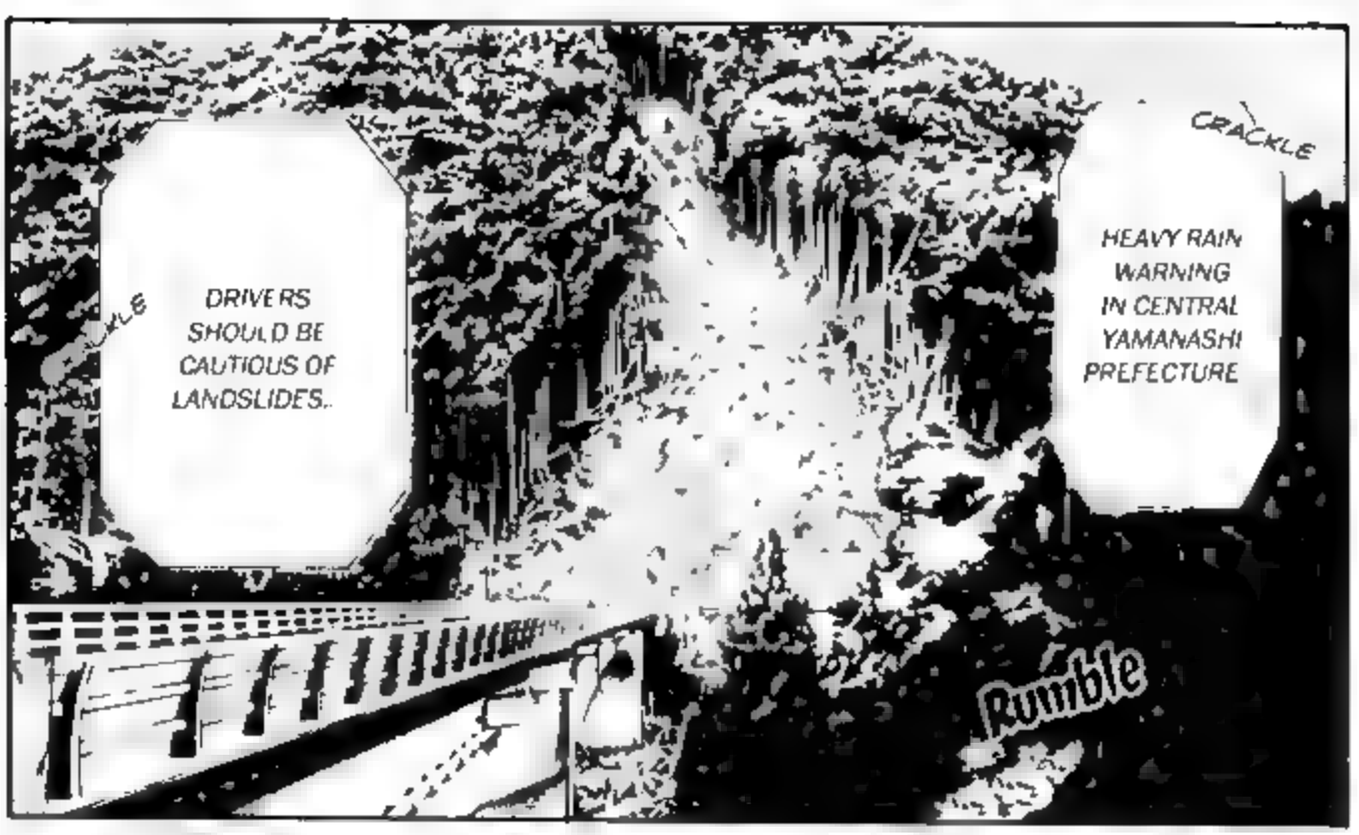
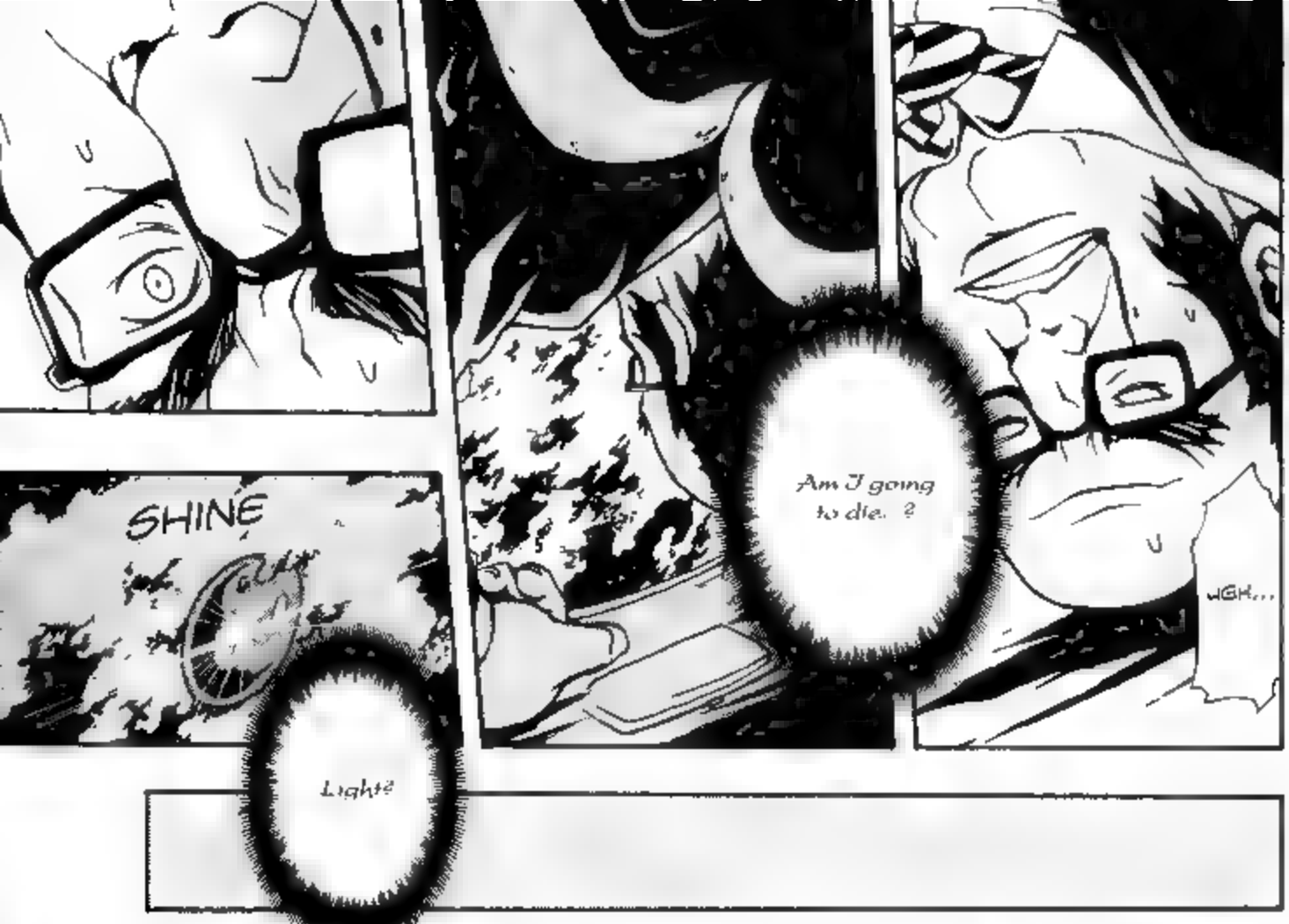

CRACKLE
HEAVY RAIN WARNING IN CENTRAL YAMANASHI PREFECTURE
DRIVERS SHOULD BE CAUTIOUS OF LANDSLIDES..
Rumble

AND NOW THE NEXT SONG IS
TZZZZ



Chapter 14

Anger| Outburst| Dirt Man

Anger Outburst Dandy

HMPH!
. .MAKES ME UNEASY IN ITS OWN WAY.
BUT NOT SEEING HER...
So why not bet on Nimura?
How about a competition on who can collect more Sesshouseki?
...
BESIDES, WHAT'S A KYUUBI?
BA-BUMP
WHAT?
TH-THE KYUUBI FOX IS A SPIRIT BEAST THAT APPEARED IN THE CAPITAL 1140 YEARS AGO. .

?
This is bad I've been more self-conscious than I should be lately.
sfx: Boom
ACTUALLY, THERE'S A RUMOR THAT SAYS A PRACTITIONER CALLED TAMAMO NO MAE CONTROLLED IT...
BA-BUMP
OH, LIKE YOU DO WITH BYAKUE?
YEAH.
THAT PROBABLY MEANS...
...IF YOU COLLECT THE STONES, THEN YOU CAN USE THE KYUUBI.
don't need that.
THAT'S ONE WAY TO PUT IT...
Vrrr
THE COUNTER-MEASURE DEPARTMENT IS GOING ALL OUT TOO.
YEAH.
BUT NOW THAT THE SESSHOUSEK AROUND THE WHOLE COUNTRY ARE AWAKENING,
IT'S GOING TO BE PRETTY TROUBLESOME.

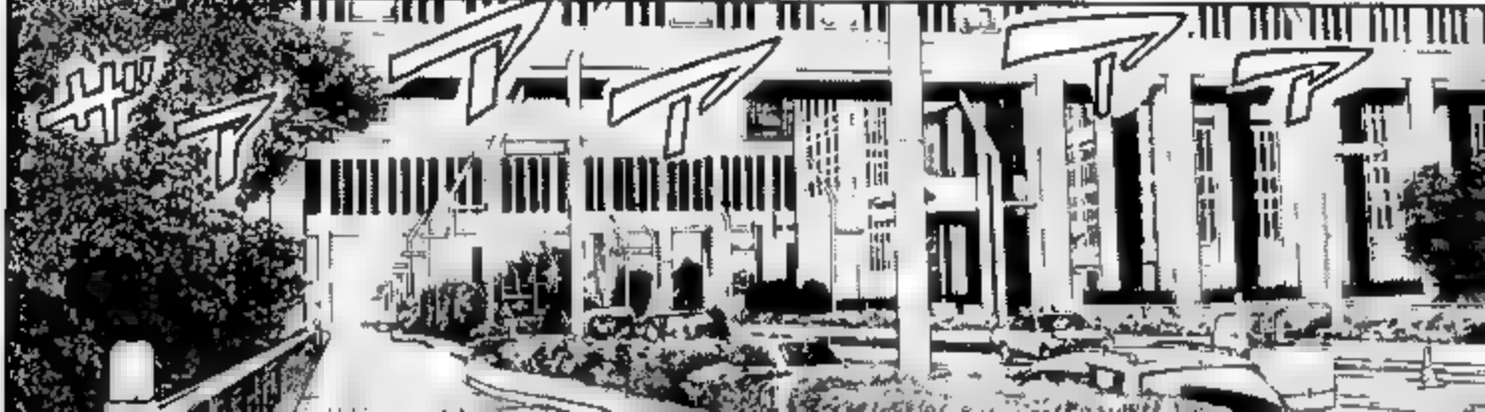
BUT YOU KNOW...
sfx Whirr
ABCAAAAH!
sfx Crash
sfx Screech
THUNK

sfx: Clatter
KEN-CHAN!
sfx: Bang
sfx: Boom
sfx: rustle rustle
KAGURA-SAN!
THE JUUGON-DOU!
sfx: Slam
VRRR
A TEAR GAS BOMB?!
WHA-?!
TZZZZ
CLANK

sfx Whoosh

sfx Boom

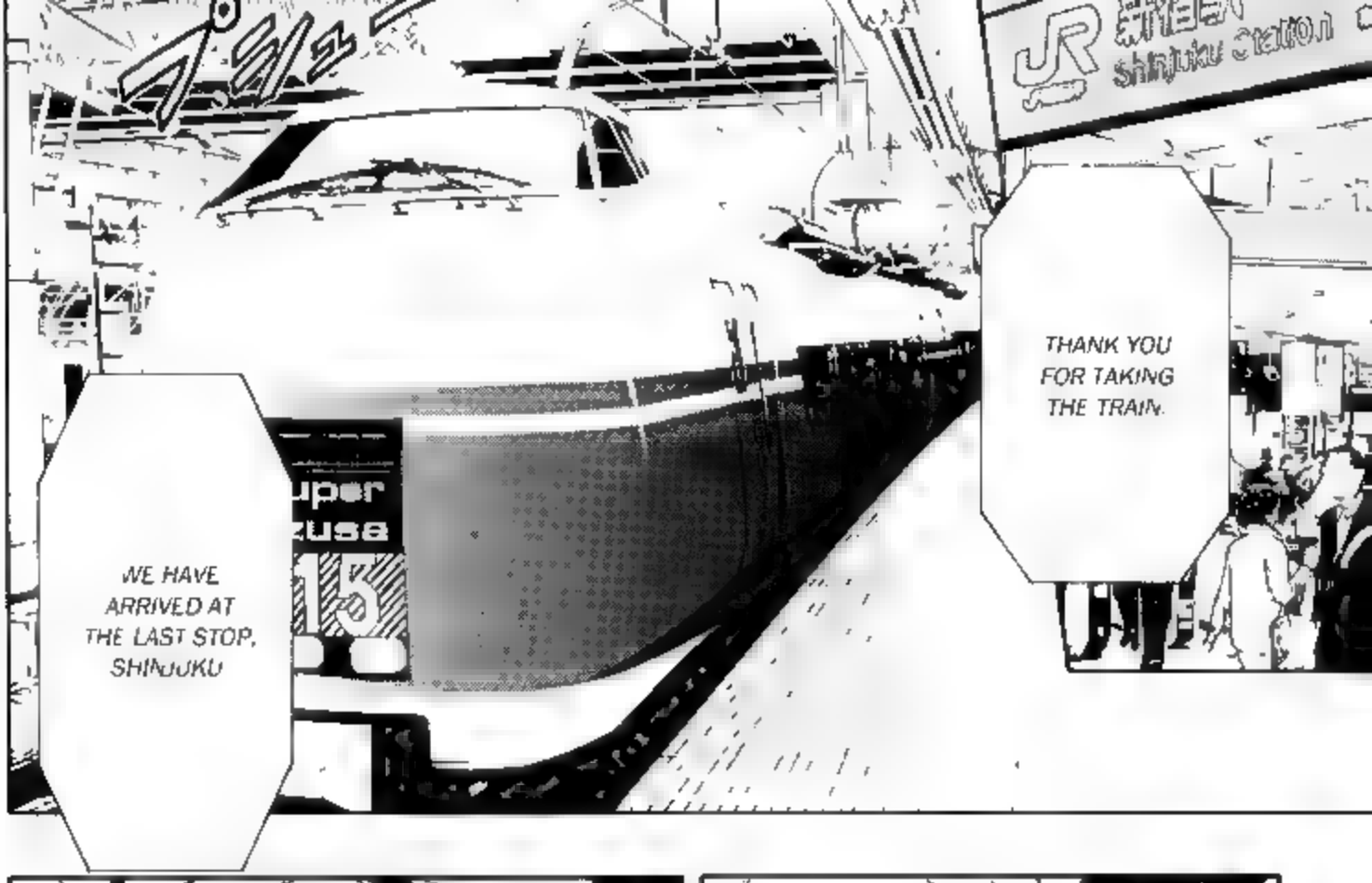
sfx Zaaa



CLATTER
Eek!
SFX thunk
OOH.
WHERE ...?
SFX: Boom
OOH. YOU'RE HERE, YOU'RE HERE!
Nimura
Shizuru
COUGH

sfx. Vrrr
KID-NAPPED?
I'M SORRY! I LET MY GUARD DOWN!
CHECK HIS CELL PHONE GPS AND THE OBSERVATION CAMERAS AROUND THE CITY!!
Damn it!
WHAT WAS I DOING?!
I WAS SO CLOSE!

They'll do something alone, just the two of them
Like when they were in the bathroom that time.
WHAT'S THAT GIRL THINKING?!
BESIDES, WASN'T THIS A COMPETITION TO GATHER THE STONES?!
sfx: Vrrr
IT'S A RED LIGHT!
Eaah!
BEEP BEEP
sfx: Determined
KAGURA-SAN!
THAT DAMN BITCH!
Uooh!


sfx: Fwoosh
JR
新宿
Shinjuku station
WE HAVE ARRIVED AT THE LAST STOP, SHINJUKU
THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TRAIN.

BREATHE
STEP

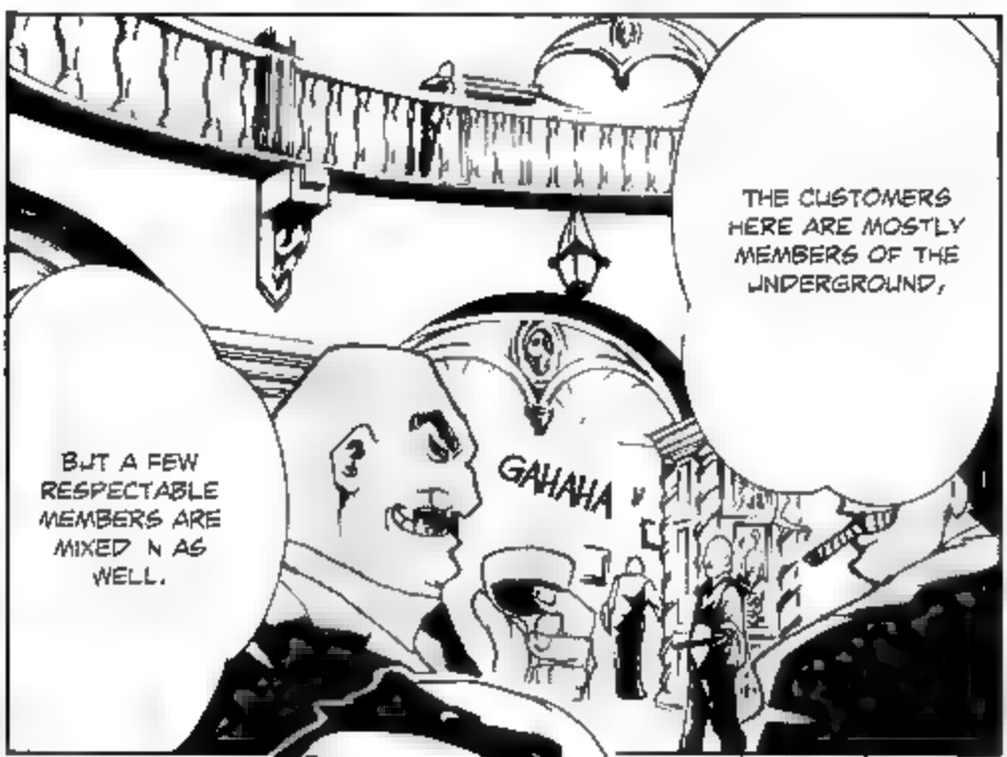
sfx: rumble rumble
THAT'S SOOO DISGUSTING!
C'MON, LET'S GO!
HAHAHA.
...
WHAT'S THAT ON HIS HEAD?
THAT GUY WAS SO SMELLY!

WIGGLE
...DIDN'T TAKE A BATH YESTERDAY...
TRAPPED IN A LANDSLIDE, IT WAS REALLY A PROBLEM...
EVEN THEN, FOR THE COMPANY,
SHINE
HUFF
HUFF
YOU KNOW, THIS MAN...
sFx Crack
AAH!
HE'S FINALLY BACK!

sfx: zaaa
WELL, I DIDN'T FEEL LIKE GOING TO SCHOOL ON RAINY DAYS...
BUT NOT SEEING NAMURA WAS LONELY, TOO...
SO YOU KIDNAP PEOPLE BECAUSE YOU FEEL THAT WAY...?
sfx: Boom
AND WHAT'S WITH THE COFFEE COSTING 1500 YEN HERE?!

MURMUR
THIS IS AN UNDERGROUND RESTAURANT THAT WE FUND.
.....
JUST CALM DOWN.

Must find a chance to escape
IMPOS-SIBLE!


GAHAHA
BUT A FEW RESPECTABLE MEMBERS ARE MIXED IN AS WELL.
THE CUSTOMERS HERE ARE MOSTLY MEMBERS OF THE UNDERGROUND,

STIFFEN
HO-?!
HEH, DID YOU THINK YOU'D BE BROUGHT TO A HOTEL?

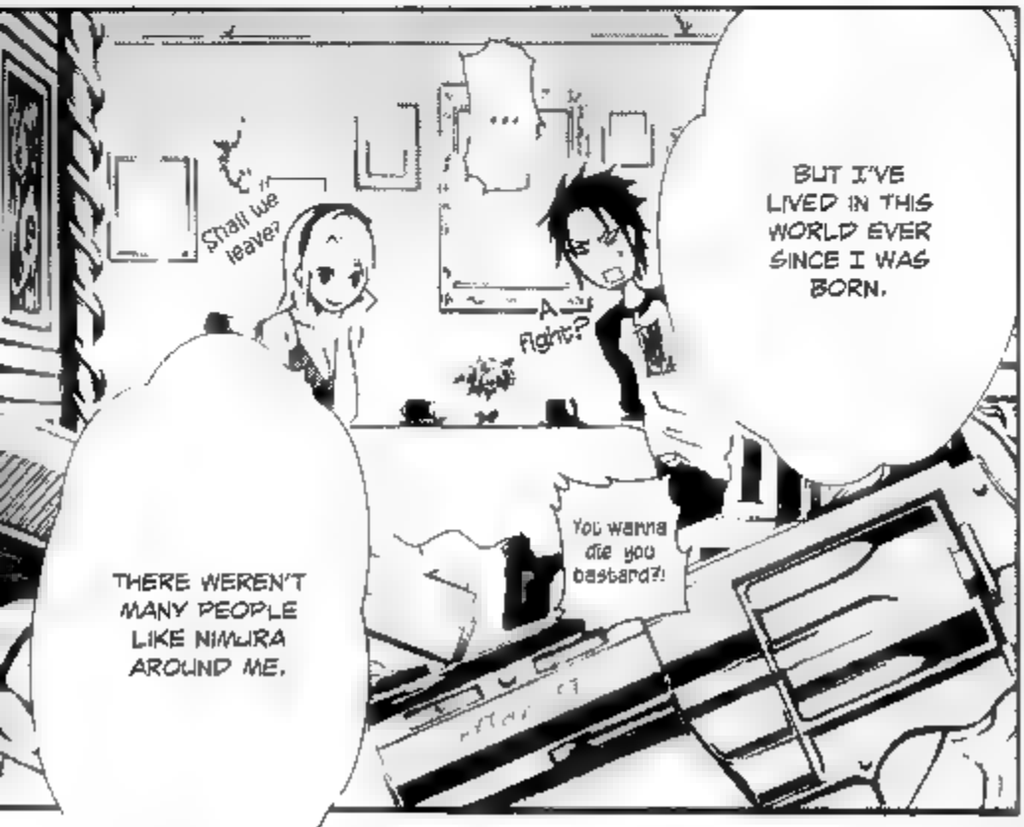
GULP
GULP
This is bad. this is bad, this is bad!
I'LL GIVE YOU A PROPER REWARD.
My ordinary days are really weird!
QUIT THE COUNTERMEASURE DEPARTMENT...
...AND COME JOIN OUR ORGANIZATION.

sfx. Boom

HMM?
TO ANNOY TSUCHIMIYA-SAN.
FIRST OF ALL, WHY ME?

I'LL NEVER GET TIRED OF THAT EXPRESSION OF YOURS!
I WAS JOKING!
Ahaha!
EHEHE!

SORRY SORRY! BUT I LIKE NORMAL THINGS LIKE THAT!
ARE YOU MAKING FUN OF ME?


Shall we leave?
A fight?
...
You wanna die you bastard?!
THERE WEREN'T MANY PEOPLE LIKE NIMURA AROUND ME.
BUT I'VE LIVED IN THIS WORLD EVER SINCE I WAS BORN.

OF COURSE, THERE'S THE WHOLE SESSHOUSEKI BUSINESS,
AND WE ALSO WANT TO USE YOU FOR STRATEGIC PURPOSES,
What's that, Wally?!

Don't cause a ruckus in the shop
Somehow.
I feel that Kagura once said that too.
GAA!
Just how much of her is serious?
But, she's also dangerously cute.
HEY.. BEFORE DURING SCHOOL,
YOU SAID YOU WANTED TO TRY LIVING A NORMAL LIFE, RIGHT?
EVEN I WOULD LIKE TO TRY DATING...
...A NORMAL PERSON FOR ONCE.

IN REALITY, DON'T YOU JUST WANT...
...TO ESCAPE THE WORLD WHERE PEOPLE KILL EACH OTHER?

sfx: zaaa

YOU IDIOT.
THERE'S NO WAY I CAN CHOOSE MY OWN PATH.

HEH

IF THAT'S TRUE,
THEN THERE SHOULD BE A WAY...
...TO LIVE WITH US WITHOUT FIGHTING.

I AM THE LEADER OF THE JUUGONDOU.
I COULDN'T POSSIBLY BETRAY FATHER AND THE ORGAN ZATION.

TO ME, LIVING ANOTHER WAY OF LIFE...
IF YOU TURN YOUR BACK ON THE LAW, YOU'LL ONLY BE KILLED.
...IS JUST A LITTLE JOKE.
FLICK

AT ANY RATE THE SESSHOUSEKI ARE THE TOP PRIORITY NOW.
NO WAY!
THEN,
WHAT DO YOU WANT?
WITHOUT COMPLETING THIS OBJECTIVE THE OTHERS ARE IMPOSSIBLE.
sfx Boom
IF WE COLLECT ALL THE STONES,
WE CAN INHERIT THE KYUUBI FOX FROM LORD TAMAMO.
NIMURA, YOU SHOULD'VE SEEN THE LORD'S APPEARANCE...

IF WE HAVE THAT POWER, THEN WE'LL HAVE THE ENTIRE UNDERGROUND WORLD UNDER OUR THUMB.
TWINKLE
EH?
WHO? IT COULDN'T BE THE OLD LADY NEXT DOOR...
Her face is scary
Old Lady Next Door
DISSOLVING THE COUNTERMEASURE DEPARTMENT IN AN INSTANT WOULD ALSO BE A POSSIBILITY...

sfx Rumble

NOTHING WILL COME TRUE...
YES, WITHOUT POWER,

sfx Shine
BUT IF WE LEAVE THEM ALONE...
RATHER .. HOW MANY SESSHOUSEKI ARE THERE?
WHO KNOWS?

That's close.
Rather, I got separated from Kyouka-chan
YES. I DON'T KNOW ABOUT KENSUKE AND THE OTHERS,
BUT IT SEEMS A MONSTER HAS APPEARED.
WHAT?! NEAR THE TOKYO GOVERNMENT OFFICE?!
sfx: Rumble
sfx: Crash
AAAAHH!!

sfx Rumble
I'LL DESTROY THAT COMPANY!
I MUST RETURN TO THE COMPANY...
sfx Crackle
sfx Spioen
sfx Rumble
UNGH

*Doratobou: a demon that commonly appears in rice patties
A "DOROTABOU"?
I'LL KILL IT WITHOUT GETTING MY CLOTHES DIRTY.
SEE?♪ JUST AS THE RUMORS SAY...
WHA-?!
KILL? BUT...
sfx: Bwoosh
...HE'S STILL HUMAN!
sfx: Appear
THAT OLD MAN...
...WILL ATTRACT ONE ANOTHER ON THEIR OWN.
CARRIERS OF THE SESSHOUSEKI ...

sfx: Crash

WHY MUST YOU MAKE THIS MAN SUFFER?!
WHAT ARE YOU...

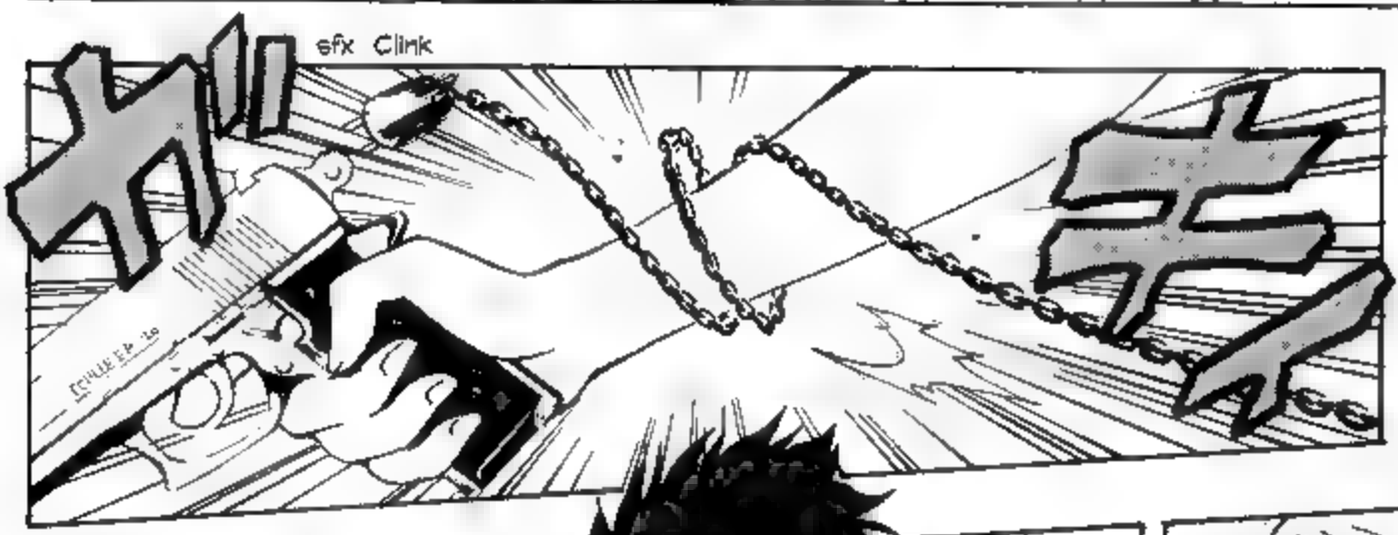
EVEN SO, FOR HIS FAMILY, HE... WITH HIS ALL...
FROM THAT BLOCKHEAD BOSS TO ALL THOSE IMPERTINENT SUBORDI-NATES...
EVEN WORKING IMPOSSIBLE DEADLINES WITHOUT ANY OVERTIME PAY...
sfx: Rumble
WHA?!
THIS MAN... TRIED HIS BEST!

Uwaah!
IT'S NO WONDER HE'S GOING BALD!
sfx: Slush
sfx: Crackle
HE WAS ORIGINALLY A NORMAL PERSON...
I DON'T GET WHAT HE'S SAYING AT ALL.
HE GOT UNLUCKY AND PICKED UP A SESSHOUSEKI SOMEWHERE.
sfx: Sludge
sfx: Crackle
sfx: Boom

NUGOOOH
!!
STAIN
TWITCH

BGAH!
SFX Crunch
HEY ..
CLICK
YOU...
...OLD GEEZER!
WHAT'S WITH YOU,
SFX Thump

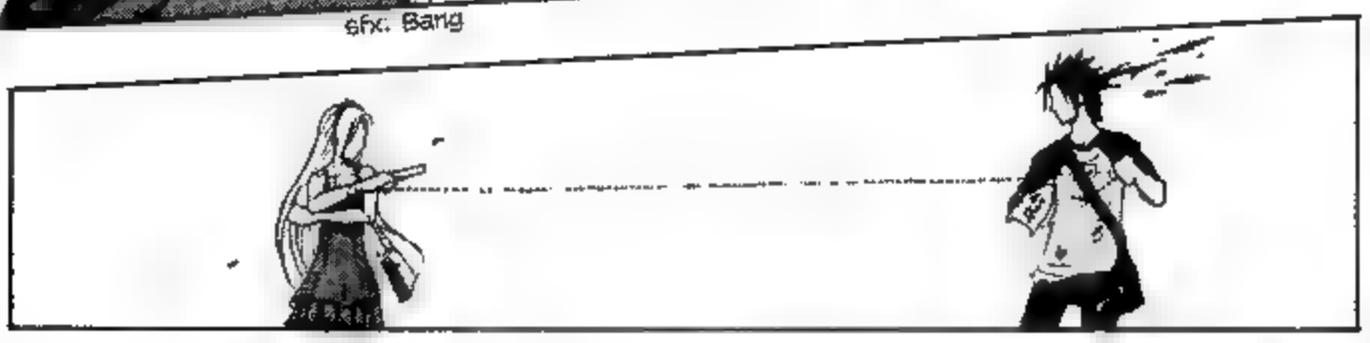
DIE, YOU DIRTY ORGANISM...


sfx Clink

sfx- Tighten
I'M TELLING YOU...
...TO WAIT, SHIZURU!
DOUGLAS

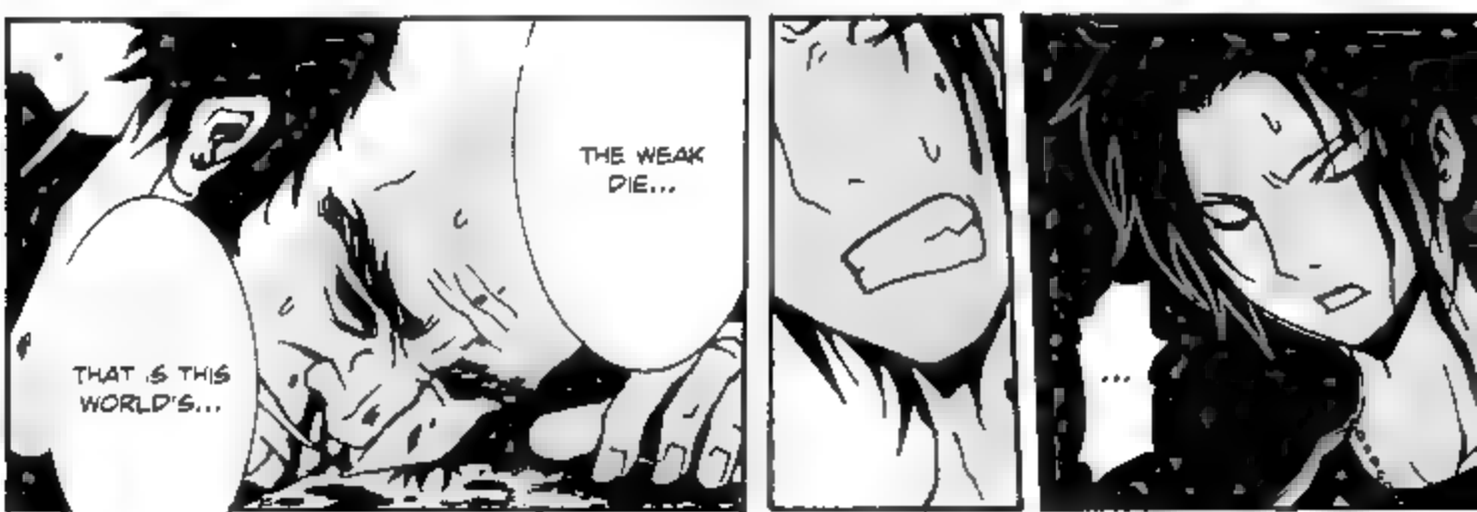
!?

IF YOUR GOAL IS THE STONE, THEN JUST TAKE IT!
YOU DON'T HAVE TO KI-
HAMA
sfx: Bang

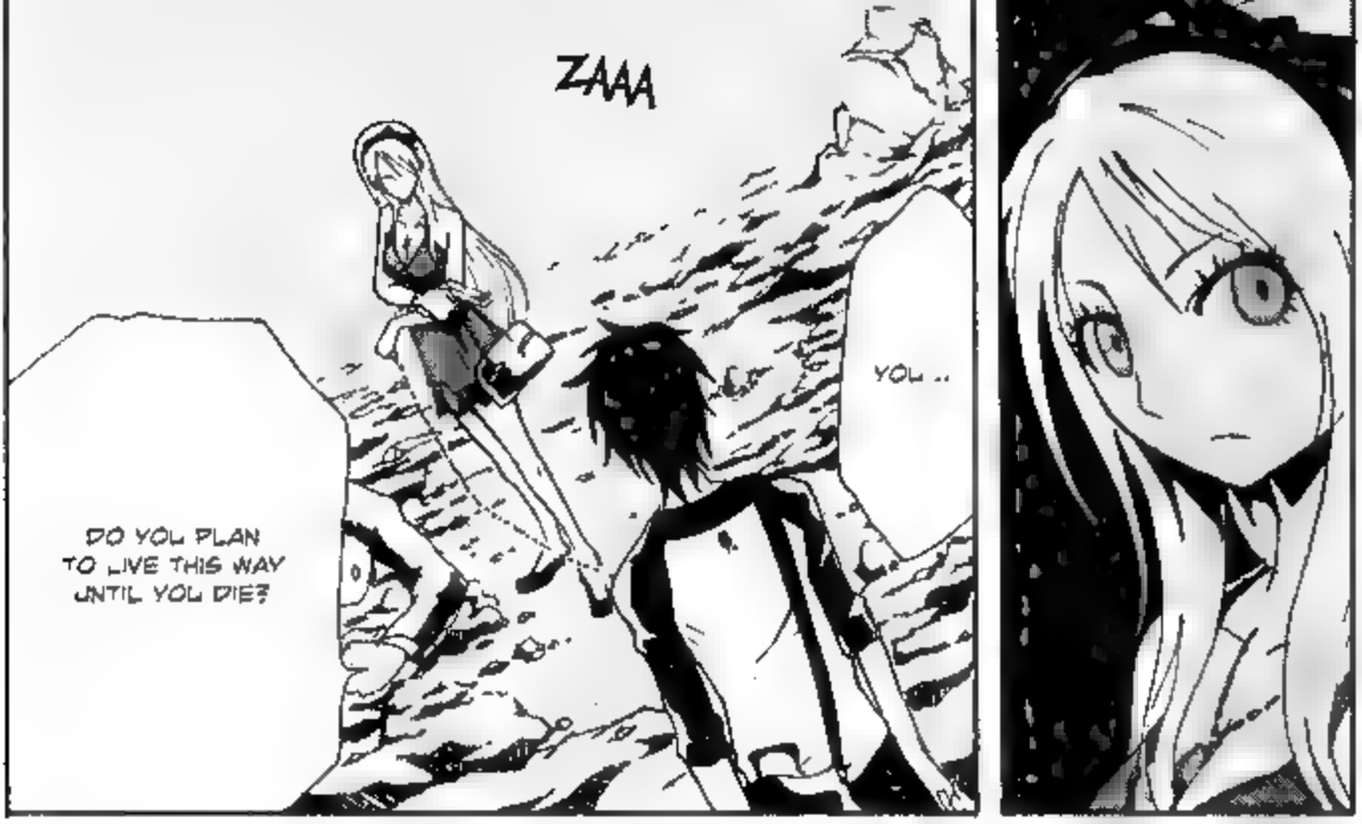


YOU'RE WEAK, SO DON'T GET CARRIED AWAY.

YOUR LIFE, NIMURA, DEPENDS ON MY MOOD AS WELL.
YOU STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND, DO YOU?


THAT IS THIS WORLD'S...
THE WEAK DIE...
...

AS IF I CARE ABOUT THAT.


ZAAA
DO YOU PLAN TO LIVE THIS WAY UNTIL YOU DIE?
YOU ..

STEP
IS THAT REALLY ALL RIGHT?!

ONCE YOU STAND ON TOP OF THE UNDERGROUND WORLD
THEN WHAT?!

STAND
WHAT YOU REALLY WANT THE MOST...
...IS TO BE FREE, AM I RIGHT?
"Kill him."
"It's the fate of a traitor."
...

HEH
YOU DON'T KNOW, SO I'LL TELL YOU...
. ABOUT THE TERROR OF THE ORGAN ZA-TION.
WE'LL...
..PROTECT YOU.
sfx: Zaaa

sfx Crackle
sfx Thunk
KEN-CHAN!
KAGURA.
REMOVE.
...
!!

sfx: Crackle

sfx: Zaaa

SHIZURU...
JUST WHAT DID YOU DO WITH KEN-CHAN?
WHAT DID I DO?
SFX Boom
WHA-?!
"I CAN'T TELL YOU. IT'S TOO EMBARASSING!"
SOMETHING TO WHICH EVEN I WOULD SERIOUSLY RESPOND,
BEFORE THE COMPETITION ENDS,
UNEXPECTEDLY, NIMURA MIGHT...
...COME TO US INSTEAD.

!!
URK!

DON'T BELIEVE HER.
THAT'S A LIE!

sfx: Zaaa

YOU IDIOT !!
SHE HOWLED.

WEREN'T YOU ON A BUSINESS TRIP?
?
What happened to me?
IS THAT YOU DAD? WHAT ARE YOU DOING SLEEPING IN FRONT OF THE HOUSE?

UGH ...

END

Kiiz
Happy Birthday!

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Approximately one thousand years ago,

that beast appeared from the fragments of the

exorcised Kyuubi Fox

It could be called the second generation Kyuubi

The immortal beast scattered massacres and calamities throughout the country.

To deal with it, the pressed government began an absurdly large project.

Its name was.

"The Ga-Rei Plan."

Capture the immortal beast and seal it in an individual's body, thereby entrusting him or her with its safekeeping.
Because it's a spirit, it will devour other spirits as the cursed ultimate weapon.
...RE-LEASE GA-REI...
SHINE
In the current era.

"BYAKUEI."
Chapter 5
The Inugami and the Girl
The Inugami and the Girl
*sfx: rip

DAMN IT! WHY AM I SO IRRITATED?
TAKE THIS!
I should have just been a soldier.
I can't be calm before Shizuru
When I see Ken-chan, it becomes painful.
*sfx. clink
FWHEE
!!
WHA-?!
PLI!
PLI!
SHIRO?! LISTEN TO ME!!
GRRRR...

CLANK
KAGURA!
TWIRL
DASH
!

*sfx. boom

KEN-CHAN?!

WHY ARE YOU HERE, KEN-CHAN?
YEAH...

YOU GO EXORCISE ON YOUR OWN.
IT'S NOT EVERY DAY...

IT'S BECAUSE OF YOU THE SPIRITS ARE ALL GATHERING IN THE SCHOOOOL!
IT FEELS DISGUSTING, SO GO AND EXORCISE THEM!
...
I GOT A CALL FROM IZUNA.
YOU COULD'VE AT LEAST GOT IN TOUCH WITH ME.
YOU'RE BEING REALLY DISTANT.
MM...
THE SESSHOUSEKI IN MY BODY... IS ALWAYS DRAWING SPIRITS AROUND T.
SHINE
IT'S NOT LIKE ANYTHING HAPPENED...
YOU KNOW...
ABOUT THAT THING WITH SHIZURU.

MM...
...
AND IT SEEMS LIKE WE'RE PART OF ENEMY ORGANIZATIONS FOR NOW...
SHE'S NOT EVEN COMING TO THIS SCHOOL ANYMORE...
I know,
but just hearing her name
makes me depressed
Rather, what I don't know about
...is myself.
Recently, all I've been doing is running around fruitlessly.
I should've just been a soldier.

. so weak.
QUICK
For me to be so cowardly.
...
THEN WHY DON'T YOU GO OUT WITH HIM,
?!
IF YOU'RE SO CONCERNED
*sfx: boom
GRRR...
!!
*sfx: ba-bump
WANNA GO BACK...?
IT'S NOTHING.
...
?
WHAT'S WRONG?

IT'S WONDERFUL YOU ALL SEEM WELL
THANK YOU FOR COMING EVERYONE

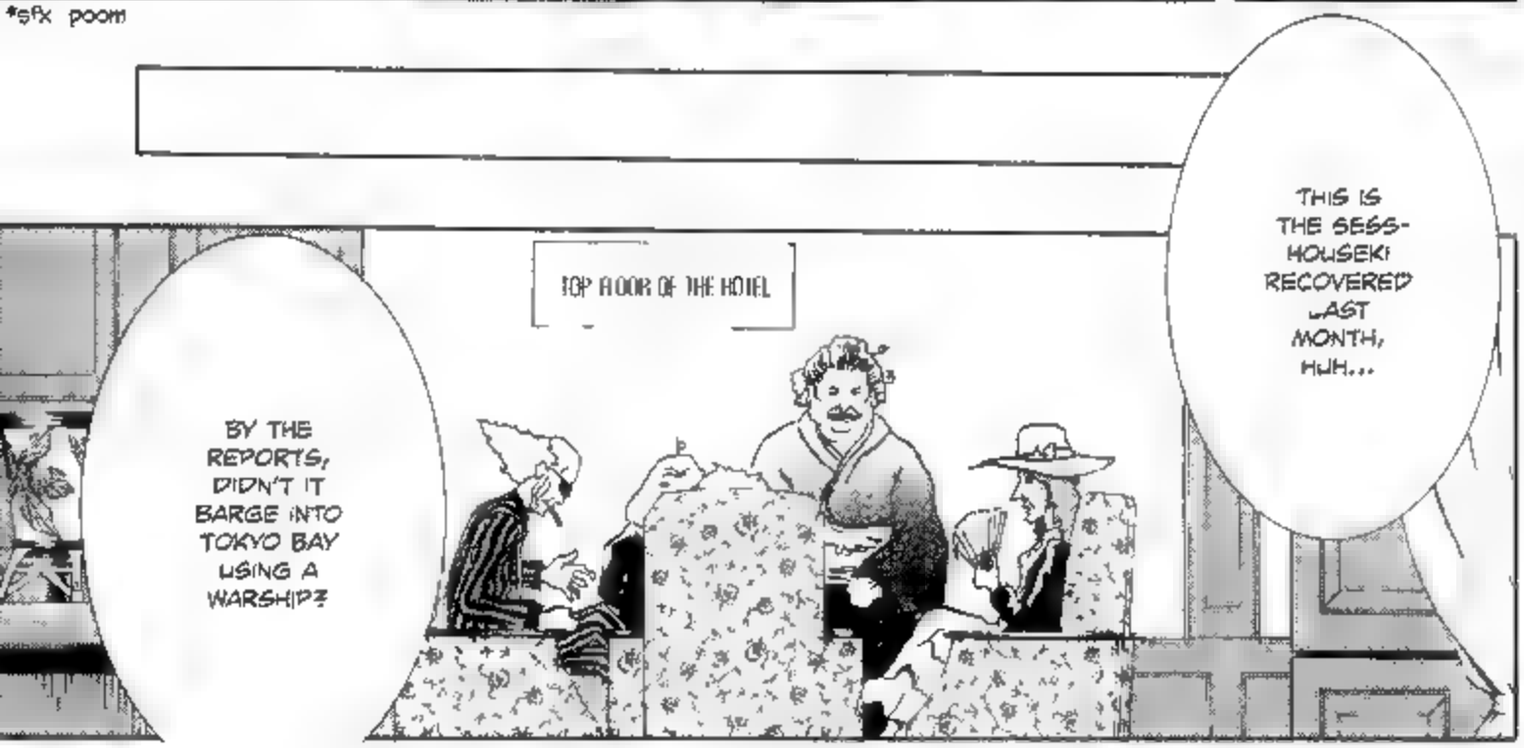
BOOM
DON'T GIVE ME THAT SHIT, OLD LADY.
YOU CONVENE THIS ASSEMBLY IN TOKYO EVERY YEAR.
UGH, MY BACK IS KILLING ME
MURMUR
MURMUR
IT SEEMS... SECURITY'S A BIT OVER-DONE.
WELL, IT IS A NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF THE COUNTER-MEASURE DEPARTMENT.
IT'S THE ASSEMBLY OF THE ONMYOUDOU "SENIOR PARTY."
It's almost over.
AND KAGURA'S WHERE?
SHE'S IN THE BATHROOM. IT SEEMS SHE WASN'T FEELING WELL.

rumble
rumble
rumble
WHY, YOU— WHERE DID YOU SNEAK IN FROM...?
flop
YOU'RE NOT PART OF THE COUNTER-MEASURE DEPART-MENT ANY MORE...
APPEAR
COME ON, WE'VE GOT THE HOTEL RESERVED FOR TODAY.
LET'S EAT FREE FOOD.
touch
EEEK!
IZUNA!
NOW, JUST WAIT A SEC.
TODAY, I CAME TO TALK ABOUT SOMETHING IMPORTANT...
WITH THE RECENTLY-POPULAR KENSUKE-KUN.
McP

MY BODY FEELS LIKE IT'S GOING TO BE TORN TO PIECES...
STRANGE...
is growing more and more burdensome every day
The existence of the spirit beast that has been passed down generation after generation

When I first saw its appearance,
it was on my mother's back
And, after Mother died,
on my father's back.
I thought, "I, too, will some day"
THIS THING...
should just be thrown away...
grip
grip

*sfx poom


TOP FLOOR OF THE HOTEL
BY THE REPORTS, DIDN'T IT BARGE INTO TOKYO BAY USING A WARSHIP?
THIS IS THE SESS-HOUSEKI RECOVERED LAST MONTH, HUH...

*sfx. rumble rumble rumble rumble

NOW THE PROBLEM IS WITH THE STONES THAT HAVE BEEN MISSING FOR ALMOST A THOUSAND YEARS...
EVEN IF IT'S ONLY ONE GRAIN, I CAN FEEL A FRIGHTEN NG AMOUNT OF DEMONIC POWER...
TOUHOKU BRANCH CHIEF
KYUUSHUU, SHIKOKU BRANCH CHIEF

THEY'RE COMING FROM OVERSEAS, PRETENDING TO BE AN EMERGING ORGAN ZATION,
WE'D BE SLAUGHTERED IMMEDIATELY.
NOT TO MENTION WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF T WERE TO FALL .NTO THE HANDS OF THE JUUGONDOU.
HOKKAIDO BRANCH CHIEF
TO QUICKLY SPREAD THEIR INFLUENCE N THE EASTERN REGION
MISSING TRANSLATION
AT LEAST CAPTURE THEIR HEADQUAR-TERS.
JUST WHAT'S GOING ON WITH OUR EASTERN HEADQUAR-TERS?

WE ARE THE ONES WHO SHALL END THEM.
OF COURSE.
AT ANY RATE AT THIS POINT IN TIME,
THE PREVENTION OF THE SEARCH FOR SESSHOUSEKI AND THE REVIVAL OF THE KYUUBI ..
ARE THE MOST IMPORTANT TASKS OF WE WHO ARE BURDENED WITH PROTECTING THE COUNTRY FROM SPIRITS.
*sfx: boom!

WHA-?
BYAKUEI'S ... SAFEKEEPING PERIOD...?
YEAH.
THE PERIOD IS THE TIME UNTIL THE PRACTITIONER RUNS OUT OF SPIRITUAL ENERGY.
CONTINUING TO MAINTAIN THAT IN THE BODY DEVOURS AN AMPLE AMOUNT OF SPIRITUAL POWER.
ALSO, ONCE IT ENTERS A BODY,
THE SEAL CAN'T BE REMOVED UNTIL DEATH.
THE RESULT IS THAT THE ONLY WAY IS FOR THE NEXT GENERATION TO INHERIT IT.
productive emotion

YOU DON'T MEAN THAT THE TIME... IS COMING CLOSER?
NO WAY...
I NEVER HEARD ANYTHING ABOUT THIS...
THAT'S WHY THE TSUCHIMIYA HOUSE'S HEADS DIE EARLY.
DIDN'T I SAY THAT BEFORE?
PROB-ABLY.
BUT DURING THE FIGHT WITH THE "IMMORTAL ONE,"
SHE ONCE TRIED TO BREAK BYAKUEI'S SEAL.
STRAIN
STRAIN
YOU MIGHT NOT KNOW,

WELL, SEVERAL MONTHS HAVE PASSED SINCE THEN.
AND SHE'S PROBABLY HIDING IT FROM OTHERS AS WELL.
THERE'S NO WAY THERE ARE NO AFTER-EFFECTS.
IT'S NOT STRANGE IF SOMETHING HAPPENS AFTER ALL THIS TIME...

CLICK
KAGURA-SAN, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?

RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE

RUN, KYOUKO-CHAN!!
WHA-T!
STREAK
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
GAAA

THOSE OUTSIDE, DON'T LEAVE YOUR POSITIONS!
WHAT WAS THAT SOUND?
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
...
KAGURA-SAN!
GAAAH!
KICK
KICK

Why ?
This hasn't happened until now.
I CAN'T CONTROL IT...
UGH...
My body is going to be torn apart

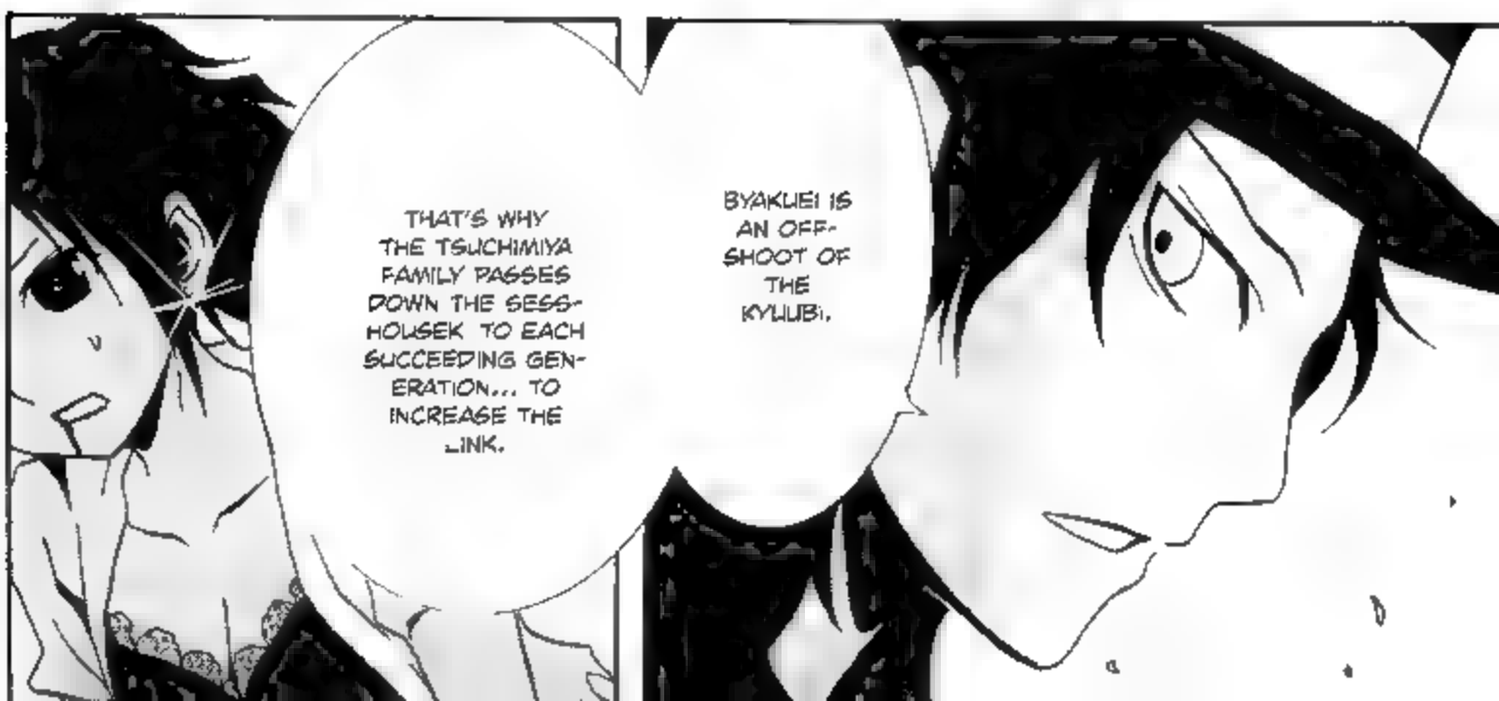
SFX twist

WHAT'S HAPPENING?!
WAIT...!
THE SHIKIGAMI ARE...

WAIT!
DON'T SHOOT!
IT'S BYAKUEI!
KYOUKO!

Ken-chan
DON'T COME...
HAS BYAKUEI ... GONE OUT OF CONTROL?
KAGURA!

EH?
GET IT FROM THE HEAD.
KYOUKO, THE SESS-HOUSEKI.

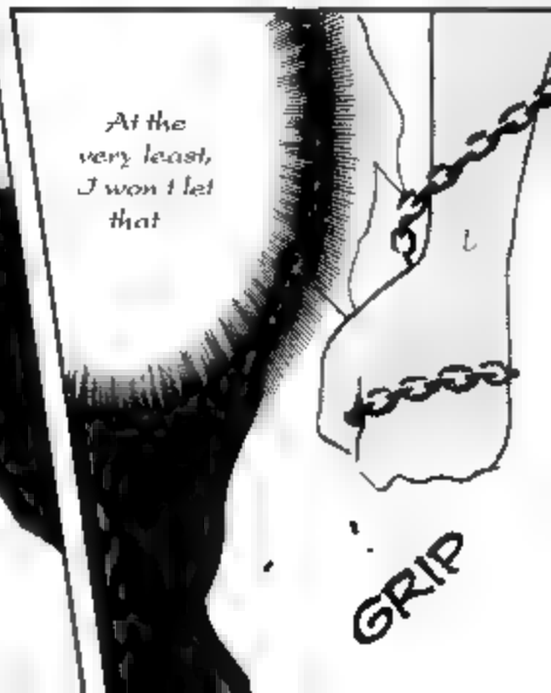

THAT'S WHY THE TSUCHIMIYA FAMILY PASSES DOWN THE SESS-HOUSEKI TO EACH SUCCEEDING GEN-ERATION... TO INCREASE THE LINK.
BYAKUEI IS AN OFF-SHOOT OF THE KYUUBI.

UNDER-STOOD!
EVEN FOR AN HOUR, IT CAN ASSIST THE SPIRITUAL ENERGY SOURCE.
THEN ... IF THERE'S AN-OTHER...
CLATTER
NOW THEN, WE BUY TIME.
I'M GOING TO CREATE A BAR-RIER.
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
LEND ME A HAND, YOU OLD GEEZERS.

GAAH!
UGH!
This is bad.

everyone will die
If I leave Shiro to take care of itself in a place like this

I CAN'T DO ANY-THING.
THIS IS BAD...
...


At the very least, I won't let that
GRIP

NOU-MAKU SHICCHI-RIYA JIBIKY-ANAN...
SARA-BATATAA-GYANTA-NAN AN BIRAJI...
BIRAJI MAKASH AKI-RABAJIRI SATA-SATA SARATI SARATI...
I KNEW BYAKUEI WAS A MONSTER...
BUT NOT THIS MUCH OF ONE.

SFX: rumble

SFX: rush

SFX- crash
UGAAH!
SFX slide
SFX slide
DAMN IT!
WHY'D YOU KEEP QUIET ABOUT IT?
KEN-CHAN!

SFX: strain strain strain

I WANTED THINGS TO STAY THE WAY THEY WERE!
I THOUGHT ...
I COULD STILL HOLD IT IN!
...
DAMN, WITH A BARRIER LIKE THIS...
ITS MOVEMENTS WON'T BE CONTAINED FOR LONG.

THIS MIGHT BE AN AMA-TEUR IDEA...
BUT IT'S SAID THAT COLLECTING THE SESSHOUSEKI MEANS GETTING YOUR HANDS ON THE KYUUBI'S DEMONIC POWER...
DAMN IT...
DON'T GIVE UP YET...
SFX: rumble rumble
I ♡ JAPAN
B. FOX
IF SHIRO'S A PART OF KYUUBI ...
THEN WITH THE ORIGIN OF THAT POWER...
YOU COULD EVEN ERASE SHIRO, RIGHT?!

Free
from Shiro?
WE CAN TEST IT!!
IT'S BECAUSE THE SESS-HOUSEKI ARE AWAKENED NOW...
SFX shatter
ANYWAY, GET YOURSELF TOGETHER!
THE BARRIER!

KAGURA-SAN!
YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN CONTROL SHIRO!
SFX appear
SFX. whirrrr
That s right

This is pathetic
I have to stand
SFX boomp
I'm not progressing
I'm only rejecting it
SFX charge
control Shiro in a place like this
If I can't
Gaaah!

Then that future
SFX: hum
KAGURA!
The freedom after that
SFX: rush
SFX: rush
AAAA

SFX thud
...will be impossible!

OH! THERE ARE TWO HEADS?!
SEAL...
SFX spray
GA-RE!!

KA-
GU-
RA!

It's normal to not see the future
But the key
I'M SORRY IT TURNED INTO SOME-THING SO CRAZY...
that decides how long
this situation can be held really is the Sesshouseki

THAT'S RIGHT...
THERE'S NOTHING... YOU HAVEN'T TOLD ME YET, IS THERE?
ABOUT ALL...
THAT'S LEFT IS THAT...
I LIKE KEN-CHAN.

END

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Ever since I was little,
I was distant when it came to girls
thanks to those spirits.

Those sixteen years of being rejected
SORRY. BUT THAT'S DISGUSTING.
THAT'S KIND OF SCARY. NIMURA.
THAT'S SO CREEPY.
I FEEL SICK.
YOU'RE SO PERSISTENT.
That's why.
THAT'S RIGHT. ABOUT ALL...

those words were too sudden.
...THAT'S LEFT IS THAT...
...I LIKE KEN-CHAN.

FLOOD
Huh?!
GYOOH?!
and so I couldn't understand them too well...
but I did cry.
sfx: Boom
AHH!
UMM, WAIT THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEAN, UMM...
HUH?
OH NO! WAS IT A FALSE START?
DID I GET THE TIMING WRONG?

sfx: Rumble

sfx: Boom

That s a he
Just what s going on?
Chapter 16
Song of the Beasts
Raccoon Dog Blues

AM I PLANNING TO RUIN MYSELF? THIS IS SO EMBARRASSING...
THERE WAS NOTHING LEADING UP TO THAT AT ALL...

Sister Donut
That's right.
I thought there was something for a moment...
She wouldn't be interested in love, so just give it a rest ..

KAGURA SEEMED UNEXPECTEDLY ENERGETIC...
BYAKUEI'S MORE POWERFUL THAN BEFORE, TOO...
YEAH...
BUT IS IT ALL RIGHT?
SHE'S CARRYING AROUND TWO SESSHOUSEKI...
IT'S NOT ALL RIGHT.
RIGHT NOW, T'S TO SUPPORT HER SPIRITUAL POWER, SO THERE'S NO OTHER WAY...
...BUT THE SESSHOUSEKI IS GRADUALLY DESTROYING HER PHYSICAL STRENGTH AND SHORTENING HER LIFESPAN.

NO MATTER HOW MUCH SHE TRIES TO RESTRAIN IT,
IF SHE SURPASSES HER LIMIT, SHE'LL BECOME AN EVIL SPIRIT.
IN THE END, IT WAS JUST AN EMERGENCY TREATMENT AFTER ALL.

I GUESS WE CAN'T HAVE HER WEARING TONS OF THOSE THINGS EITHER.
SO SHE REALLY CAN'T STAY THAT WAY FOR LONG...

TO DESTROY BYAKUEI?
IS IT POSSIBLE FOR THE "KYUUBI FOX"..
HONESTLY, THOUGH...

THERE MIGHT BE A POSSIBILITY...
...WITHOUT KAGURA-SAN, WHOSE SOUL IS CONNECTED TO T, HAVING TO DIE .
...
THERE'S TOO LITTLE INFORMATION ABOUT THE KYUUB.
SO I CAN'T SAY FOR SURE,
BUT I'LL HELP...
. BECAUSE TO ME, THAT PERSON IS...
.. AN IMPORTANT SENPAI.

Truthfully, even if we save Kagura san,

LOVE & PEACE
how far can we restrain the revived Kyuubi...?

It's..
a pretty dangerous gamble

THAT MEANS WE PROBABLY WON'T HAVE ANY ALLIES...

If you think about it, it's obvious...
If the Countermeasure Department has only been maintaining Byakuei as a fighting force,
they could just let Kagura die and have someone else inherit it afterwards!

DAMN IT

We don't know what'll happen... It's much safer than reviving the Kyuubi.

Produce the emotion
In the end, she's disposable!
Just what should I do?!
And collecting the Sesshouseki has become a battle with the Juugondou ..

I'm not just a bystander here!
Rather I have a Sesshouseki shard buried in my body!

PANT
...WAS JUST A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT...
BESIDES I...

PANT
PANT
GEEZ,

...THE TIME OR PLACE TO THINK ABOUT LOVE. SERIOUSLY...
PANT
PANT
THIS REALLY ISN'T...

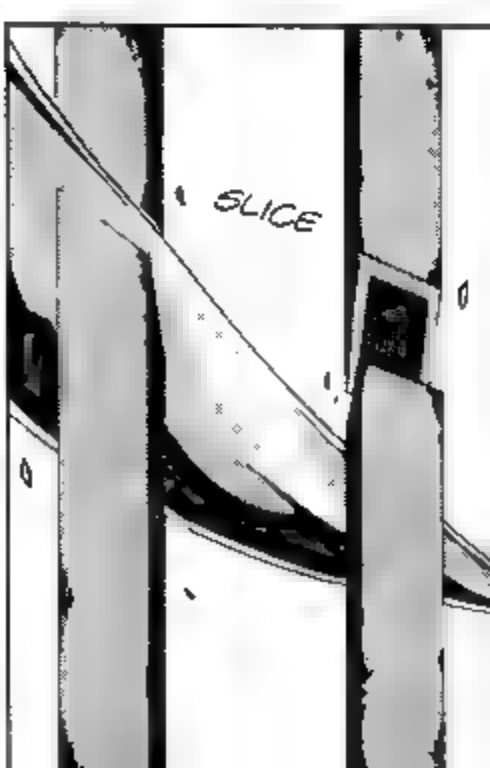
SHINE

Huh?
It's me?

SLICE
Productive emotion
Productive emotion

Damn, he s

Productive emotion


SLICE

CHANGE
And it's a spirit with a Sesshouseki too!
SHINE
An enemy?!
OWWW ...!
sfx Thunk
sfx Charge
Whoosh
WAIT...
...A SECOND!

sfx Whomp
MURIKAVEEH!
DAAAH!

WHAT IS THIS?!
!!

NURI!!
sfx Poof
BUH!
HMPH!
sfx Jump

AAH! MY PHONE
Dropped
DO THE TWO HATE EACH OTHER?
IT DISAP-PEARED ...

Countermeasure Department,
Basement Training Area

Government
Office Building

PANT

PANT

sfx: Whoosh

HAH!

PANT
PANT
PANT
PANT
I WANT TO BE USEFUL...
LET'S STOP THE TRAINING FOR NOW...
YOU WERE JUST RELEASED FROM THE HOSPITAL...
MY MOVEMENT IS STILL TOO STIFF WHEN I USE BOTH AT ONCE...
NOTHING WILL COME OF IT IF YOU DIE.
HOLD BACK ON USING THE TWO OF THEM...
THAT'S NATURAL...

I WON'T DIE.

THIS ISN'T FUNNY...
I'M GONNA DIE...
PANT
PANT
I'M NOT LUCKY..
OW..

sfx: Silence

...THOSE TWO GO...?
WHERE DID...

NOTICE
sfx: Grow
SHINE
!!
EEH?!
sfx: Step

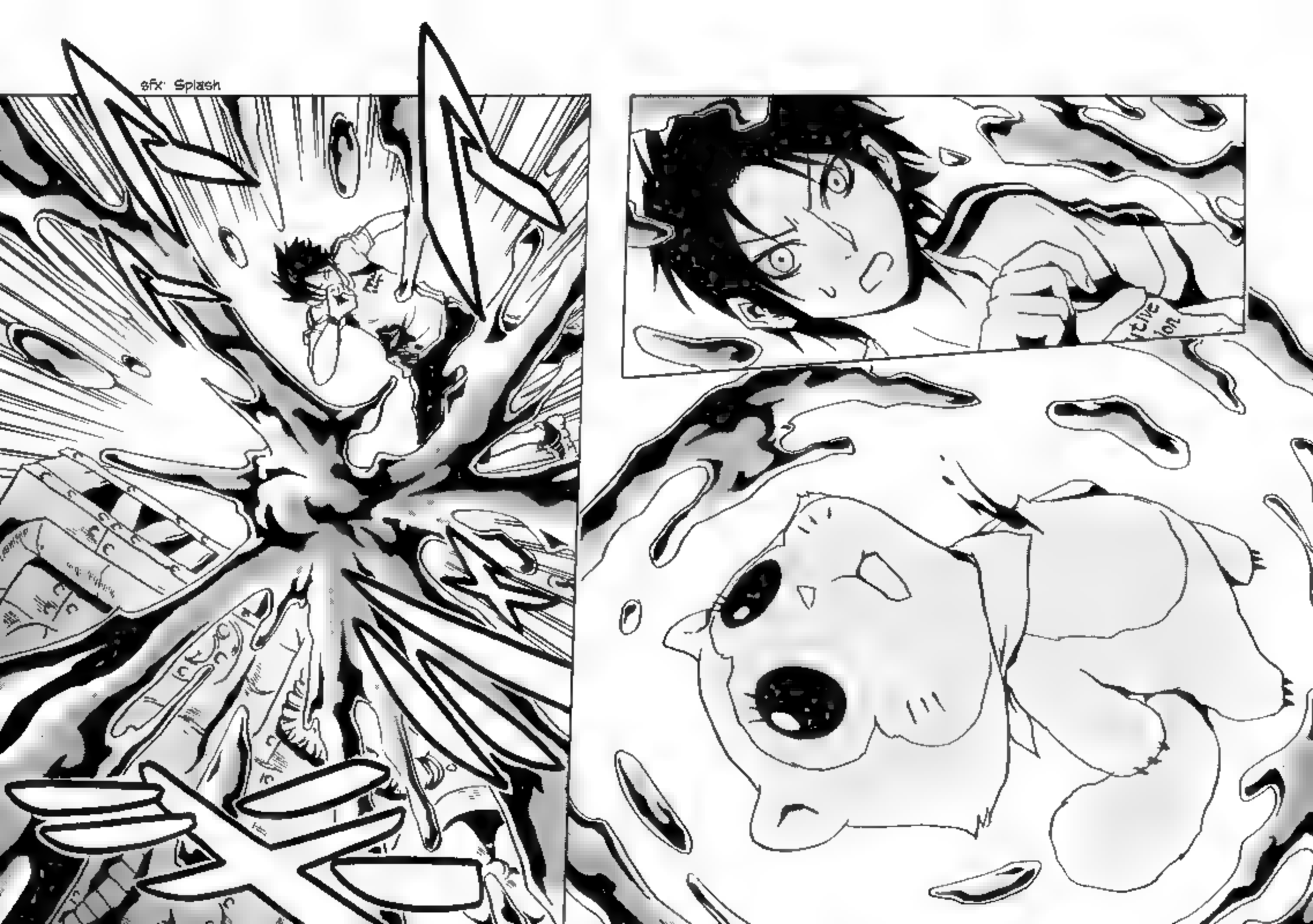
SPEECHLESS
SHINE
Kagura?!
Why are you in your under-wear?
Wait, calm down!
It disguised itself as me earlier!
KEN-CHAN

RUMBLE
It's an illusion!
It's reading my mind.
So why the underwear?!
Am I a pervert?!
!!
CRACK
CRACK
KEN-CHAN...
GROW
sfx Swoosh
It's transformed pretty far into an evil spirit because of the Sesshouseki
sfx Creak

I DON'T KNOW WHO YOU ARE...
GRIT
DAMN IT...
Oh, that's right, that's
the form of Kagura that I'm most scared of right now.
sfx Charge
NU...

sfx Clink

AT ANY RATE
sfx: Reach
sfx: Splurt Splurt
CRACK
SHOW ME YOUR TRUE SELF, DAMN IT!


sfx: Splash

sfx Poof
A-
Aaah!
A TANUKI?
THIS ONE TOO...?
...
POGOOH.

*A Tanuki that has special powers, such as transformation

IT COULDN'T BE...
She picked up the Sesshouseki somewhere on the mountain..
WERE YOU CHASING...
...

...YOUR LOVED ONE AFTER SHE LOST CONTROL...
TO...
...KEEP HER FROM KILLING PEOPLE?
...TO HELP HER...

and
become
a spirit.
She
already
lost her
body long
ago...

There s no way I can...
That's not funny.
just watch her disappear
Will I someday.
even if there are no allies.
There's no choice but to fight,
feel the same way?

HMM? IT'S A "TSUITATE TANUKI." HOW RARE!
I WAS THINKING OF HAVING THE COUNTER-MEASURE DEPARTMENT TAKE CARE OF HIM FOR NOW.
THIS ONE'S A PRECIOUS TYPE, WITH STRONG SPIRITUAL SENSES.
...this moment.
To protect.
...

END

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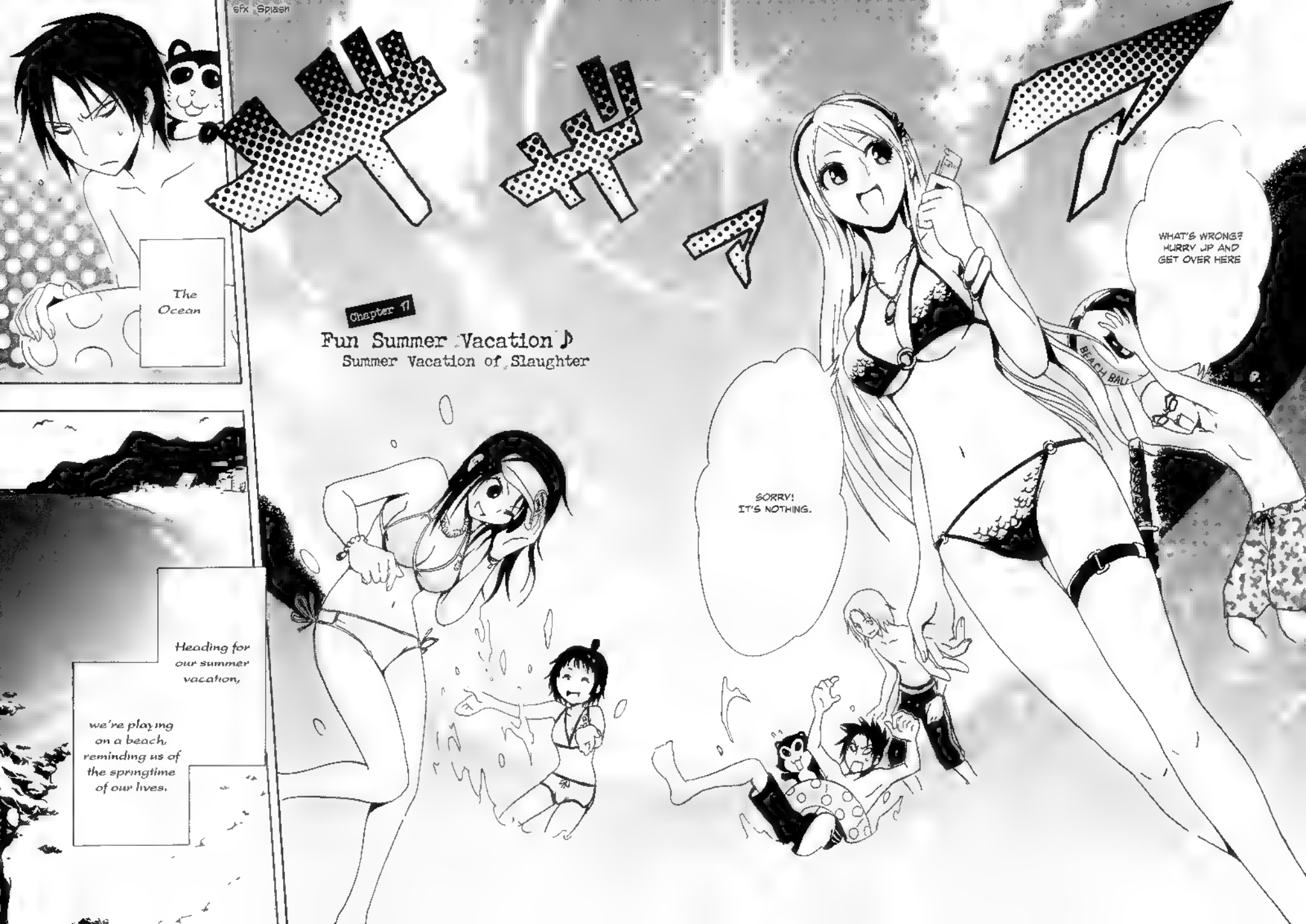
sfx Bang Bang

sfx Bang
BOSS
Y-YOU MONSTER!
THE [redacted] PARTY HAS BEEN DECIMATED.
NOW, 8/10 OF EASTERN JAPAN IS OUR TERRITORY.
SO YOU SOMEHOW MANAGED TO ARRANGE IT...
GOOD JOB.


The Ocean
Chapter 11
Fun Summer Vacation♪
Summer Vacation of Slaughter
Heading for our summer vacation,
we're playing on a beach, reminding us of the springtime of our lives.
SORRY! IT'S NOTHING.
BEACH BALL
WHAT'S WRONG? HURRY UP AND GET OVER HERE

Can t SWIM
TODAY IS A SWIMSUIT FESTIVAL, KENSUKE!
DON'T TOUCH ME!
sfx. Splash
But why is Shizuru here?
BEACH BA
AFTER GETTING OUT OF THAT HELL KNOWN AS EXAMS...
I'M SO HAPPY...
HEEEY! WHAT A COINCIDENCE! DID ALL OF YOU COME TO SWIM TOO?
...DURING VACATION, AT A PLACE LIKE THIS.
I NEVER THOUGHT I'D MEET IMAWANO HERE...
No that's impossible

DEPRESSED
YOU'RE FINE WITH IT BECAUSE YOU DON'T KNOW ANYTHING...
KNOW WHAT?!
THE POINT IS YOU'RE SAYING THAT THIS BEACH IS A GOOD PLACE WITH ALMOST NO PEOPLE...
sfx Boom
OOH. YOU'RE SEEING THOSE GHOSTS AGAIN OR SOMETHING?
BUT THAT'S ONLY BECAUSE YOU CAN'T SEE THEM!
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT. IT'S JUST A RUMOR, BUT...
...THIS PLACE IS NEAR A FAMOUS SPOT FOR SUICIDES.
Kick
GAH!

BAM
BAH!
Take that!
HAHA! NORMAL PEOPLE ARE SO CAREFREE,
AND SO MANY HAVE BEEN HERE ALL DAY!
THIS ISN'T YOUR JOB, RIGHT?
IT DOESN'T LOOK LIKE YOU'VE BROUGHT YOUR SUBORDINATES...
YOU'RE MISUNDER-STANDING ME!
I JUST CAME HERE TO PLAY!
THOUGH THE AMBUSH *WAS* ME...

BEACH BA
AND THIS IS MY LAST HOLIIDAY...
WE..L. ME TOO, BUT...
THIS IS THE FIRST T,ME I'VE EVER BEEN TO THE OCEAN WITH MY CLASSMATES.
HUH?!
..WHICH MEANS THAT,
?
AT ANY RATE. LET'S HAVE ANOTHER EXORCISM COMPETITION
sfx: splash

sfx: Shine

sfx Bang

Can't see them

KICK
BEACH BALL
BOUNCE
I SAID I'M NOT DOING A COMPETITION LIKE THAT!
OF COURSE, THE REWARD IS NIMURA
HMMM? IT LOOKS LIKE WE'RE REACHING THE BIG CLIMAX!

I'M JUMPING IN TOO!
WHY ARE THEY ALL SO CHEERFUL?
YAAY
YAAY

THEY'RE ENEMIES...

...but it looks like they're friends.
sfx: Bloop
sfx: Splash
Eek!

sfx Drag Drag

sfx: Rumble Rumble

SO IT'S "THE BLOB OF A SMALL SHIP"
THE FIREBALL OF JELLYFISH"..
Huh..? It's back now!
There's nothing here powerful enough to do that.
Is it a fresh power?

BLUB
Wait a second here!
If I drown in a place like this, isn't that just too uncool?!
And if I use an electric attack in the middle of the ocean,
even Nimura and the others will...
IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT HAPPENS TO OTHER PEOPLE...
RATHER ...
WHY AM I CONCERNED ABOUT THAT?

POGOOH
¡MUAKAYOOH!
sfx Poompn

Squish
OBOOH

Tsuchimiya?

WOW, WE SURE PANICKED WHEN IMAWANO ALMOST DROWNED
MAYBE THERE REALLY *ARE* GHOSTS WANDERING AROUND HERE!
WANNA TAKE A TEST OF COURAGE?
.....

OH YEAH. HOW ARE THOSE TWO?
THEY'RE STILL IN THE BATHS.

sfx: bang
AAAH!
THIS IS SO HUMILIATING. I CAN'T BELIEVE I WAS SAVED BY YOU.
WHAT'S WITH THAT?!
IT WAS A LOT OF TROUBLE FOR ME, TOO!
THEN YOU SHOULD'VE JUST LEFT ME ALONE!
THAT WOULD'VE WORKED A LOT BETTER, WOULDN'T IT?
OH, JUST BE QUIET.
YOU'RE FINE, SO IT'S OK. GEEZ...

SPLASH
...

DRIP

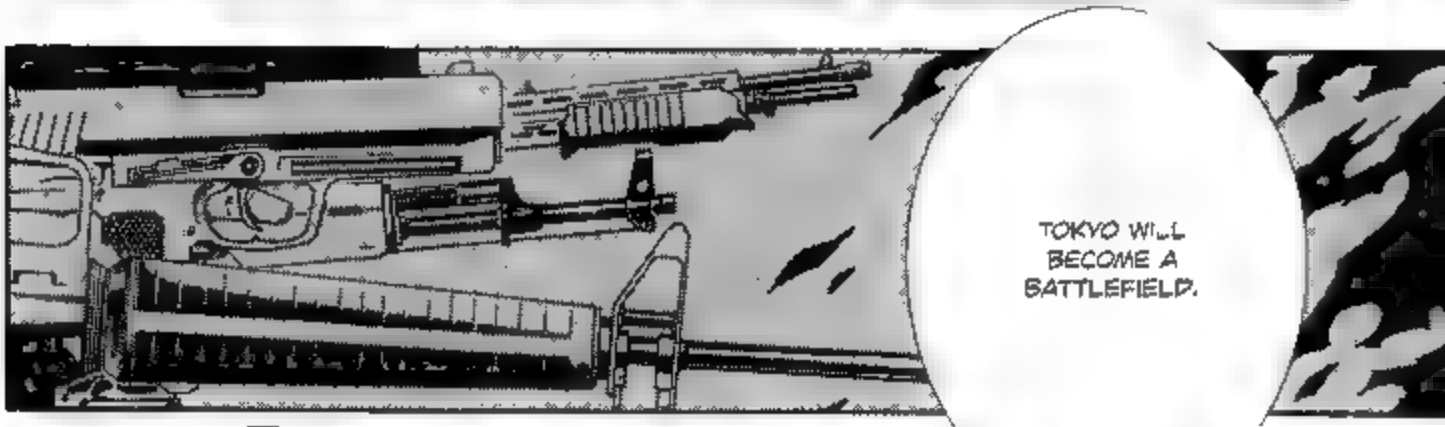
...AS THAT TIME...
IT WAS THE SAME...

ONCE, IN THE PAST
MY OLDER SISTER SAVED ME FROM THE OCEAN...
OLDER SISTER?
...

IN A LIFE FULL OF SAVAGERY,
SHE WAS MY ONLY CONFIDANT.
SHE'S LEFT HOME SINCE THEN,
AND HAS BEEN MISSING FOR SEVERAL YEARS, BUT...
...TO ME, SHE'S ST LL THE ONE THAT I ADMIRE.

NOT REALLY.
WELL, THAT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH YOU...
I HAD SOMEONE...
. .WHO WAS LIKE THAT FOR ME, TOO.
. .IS THE FIRST AND LAST TIME.
TALKING TO YOU LIKE THIS...
..

IN TWO DAYS,
THE HEAD OF THE JUUGONDOU,
FATHER, WILL ARRIVE.


TOKYO WILL BECOME A BATTLEFIELD.

THESE LAST FEW MONTHS HAVE BEEN FUN...

I SEE...
SO THE ALL-OUT WAR IS FINALLY HERE...
SPLASH
SPLASH
BUT SINCE SHE SAYS THIS IS THE LAST TIME,
They're gonna get burnt
SHE WON'T BE LEAVING ANYTIME SOON...
BOOM
KENSUKE! AREN'T FIREWORKS PERFECT FOR FINISHING OFF THE DAY?!
BOOM
EEK!

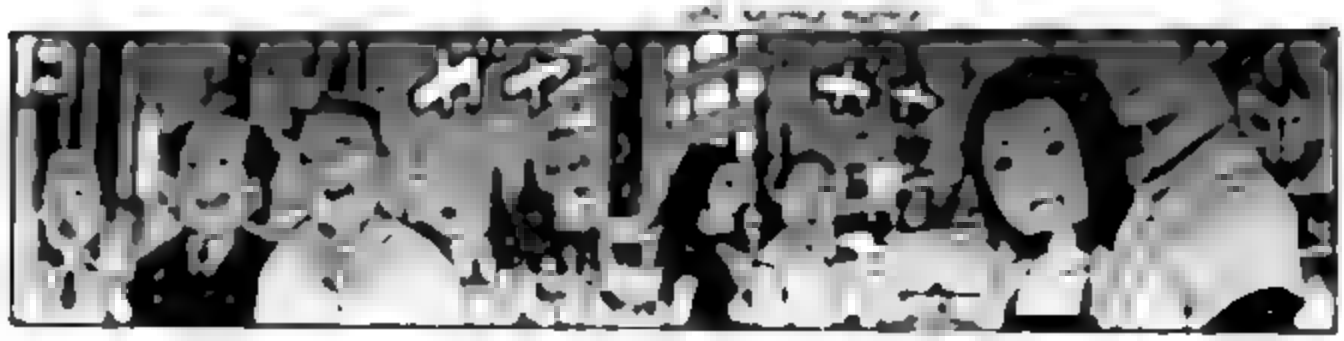
If we had met under different circumstances,
I wonder what would've happened...

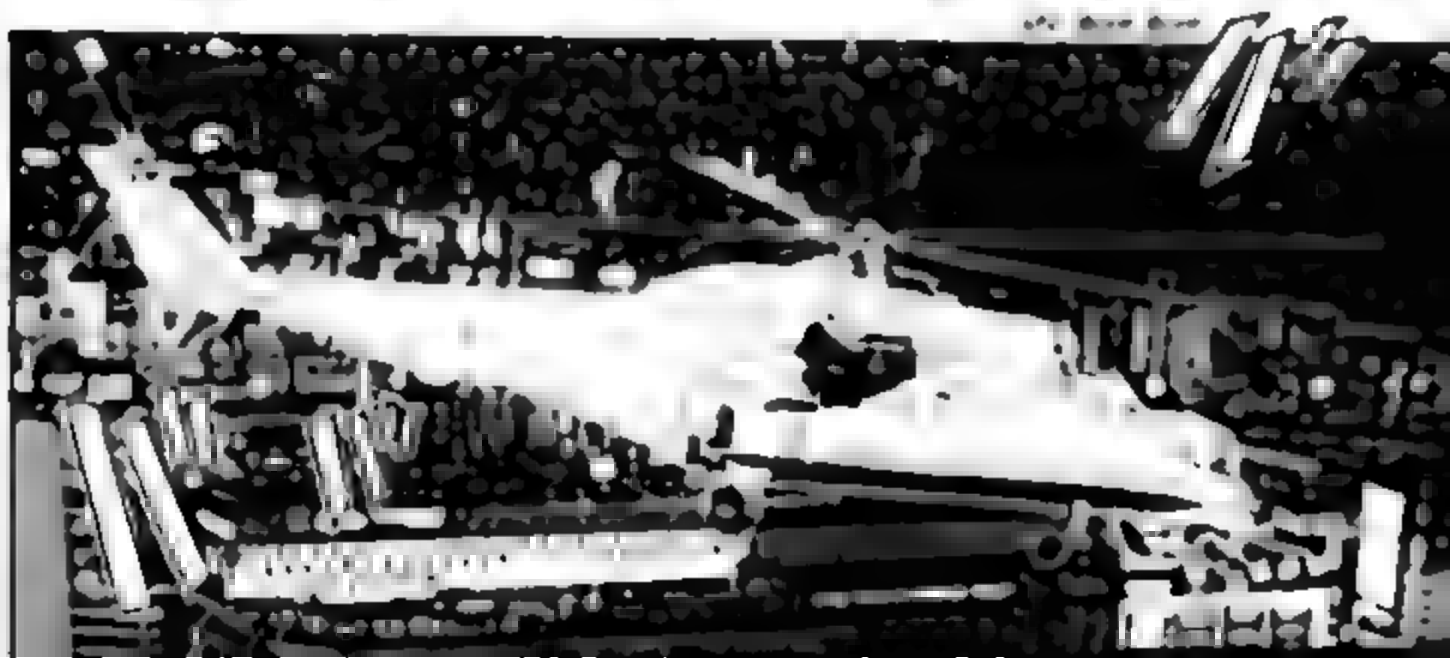
Ever since ,
we were born into families in the darkness,

BUT...

we were given the duty of fighting and dying.

I SOMEHOW UNDERSTAND HER FEELINGS.





HUMM
THOSE GUYS OF THE ONMYOUDOU ARE LOITERING ABOUT BELOW...
...BUT IT DOESN'T FEEL LIKE THEY'LL BREAK IN YET.
THEY HAVE ARRIVED ON TIME.

LET'S START THE PARTY AFTER DINNER.
THEY WON'T BE THE ONES TO START THE WAR.

I just wanted to drop in for a bit and see.
I don't have any regrets

for the sake of standing atop the underground world
Everything is for the sake of Father and the organization.

I will become a "sword"..
SHIZURU...

...
WHAT IS THIS...?
BETRAYAL IS THE NORM IN ORGANIZATIONS LIKE THIS.
SEARCH FOR THE STRONG AS YOUR SUBORDINATES...
BANG

END

to be continued...

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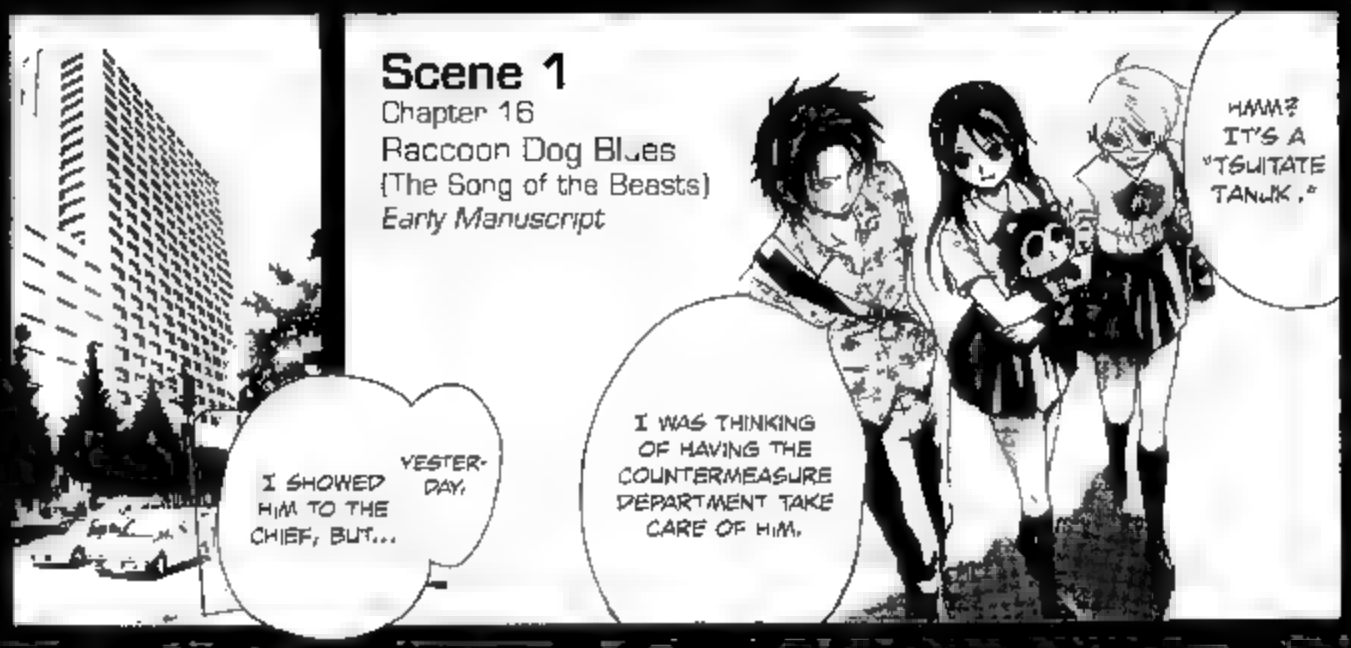

Scene 1
Chapter 16
Raccoon Dog Blues
(The Song of the Beasts)
Early Manuscript
I SHOWED HIM TO THE CHIEF, BUT... YESTERDAY.
I WAS THINKING OF HAVING THE COUNTERMEASURE DEPARTMENT TAKE CARE OF HIM.
HMM? IT'S A "TSUITATE TANUK."

This was changed because it would destroy the atmosphere in the end.

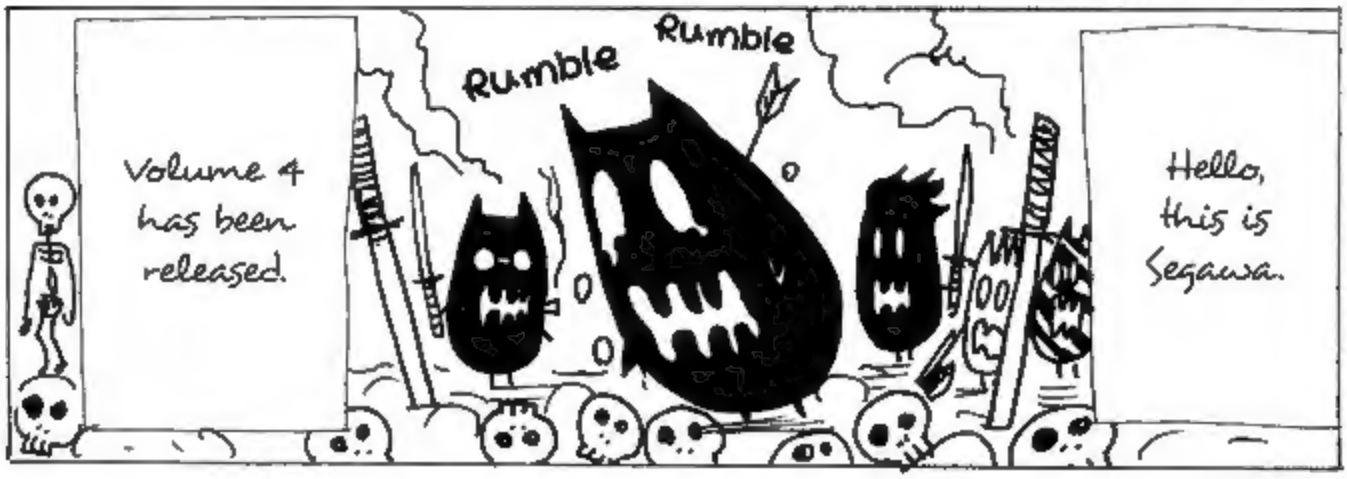
Scene 2

Chapter 14

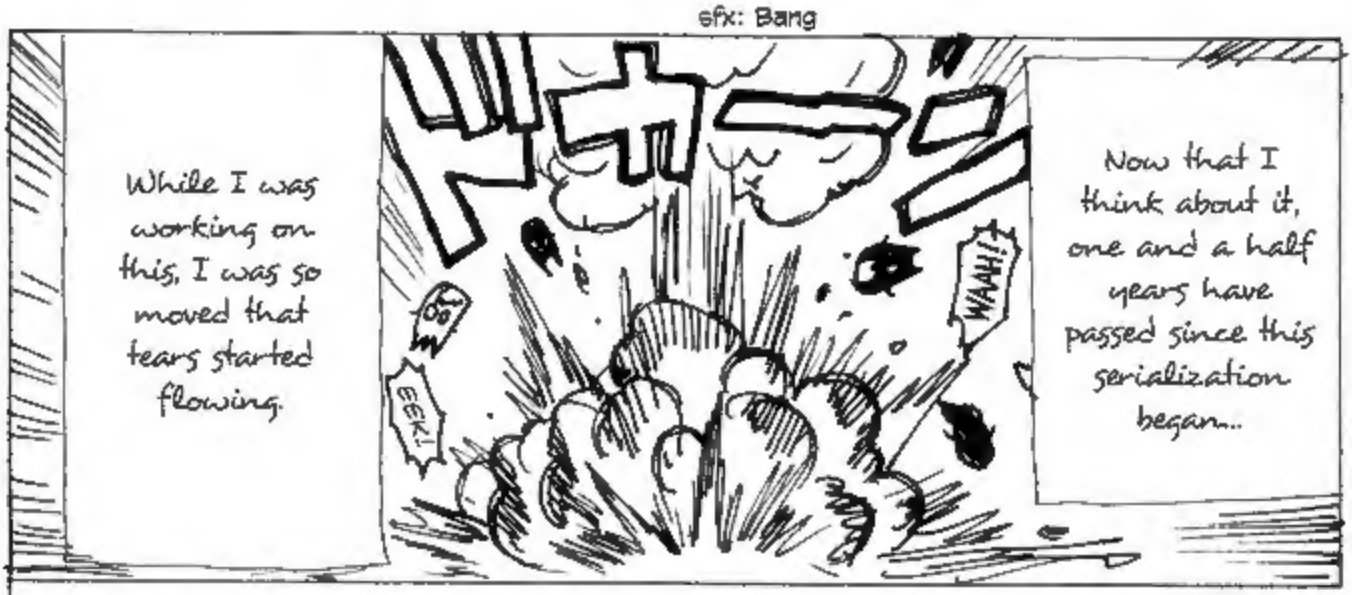
Anger Outburst Dandy

(Anger Outburst Dirt Man)

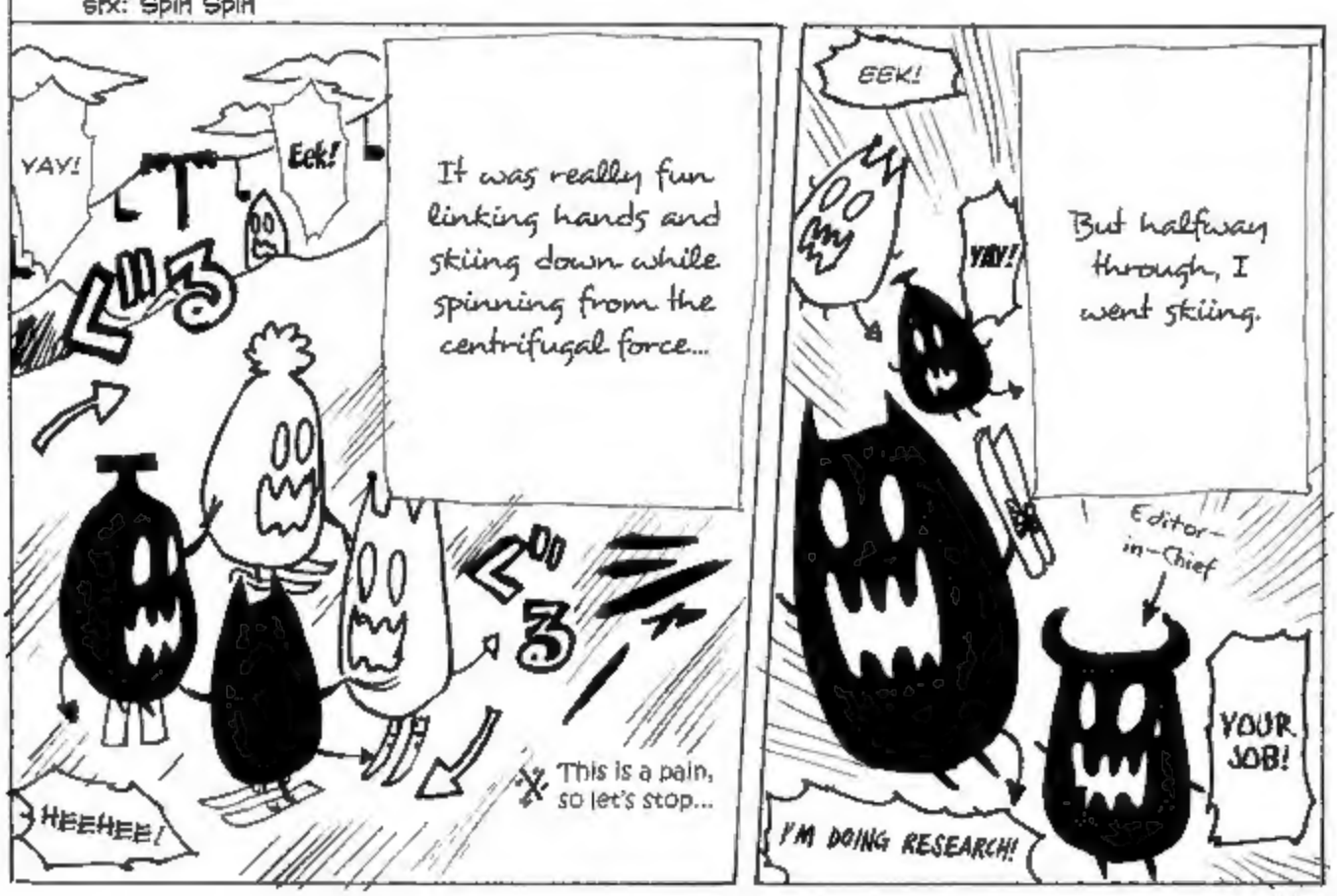
Deleted Manuscript



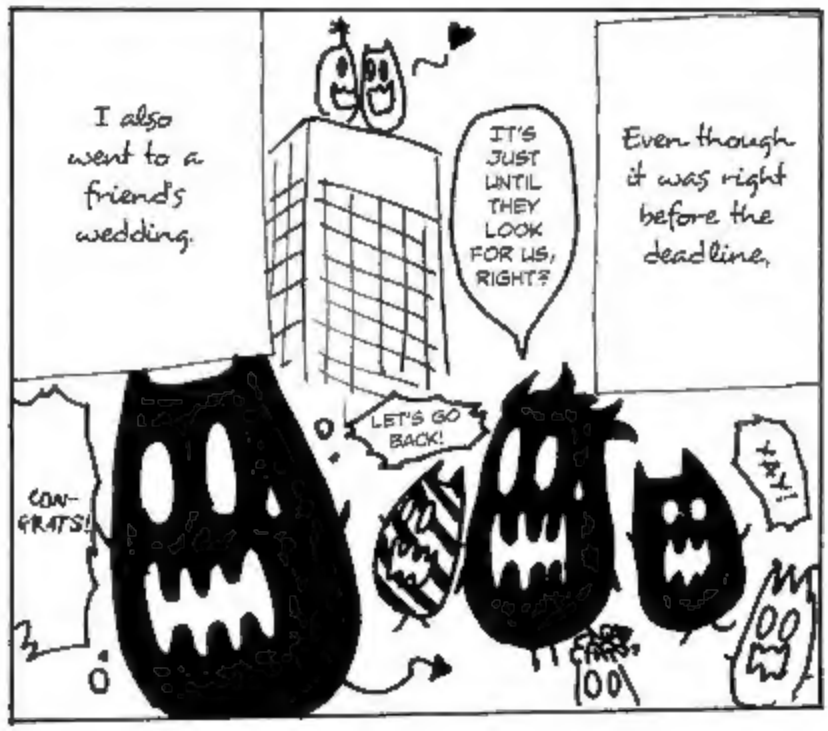
sfx: Bang

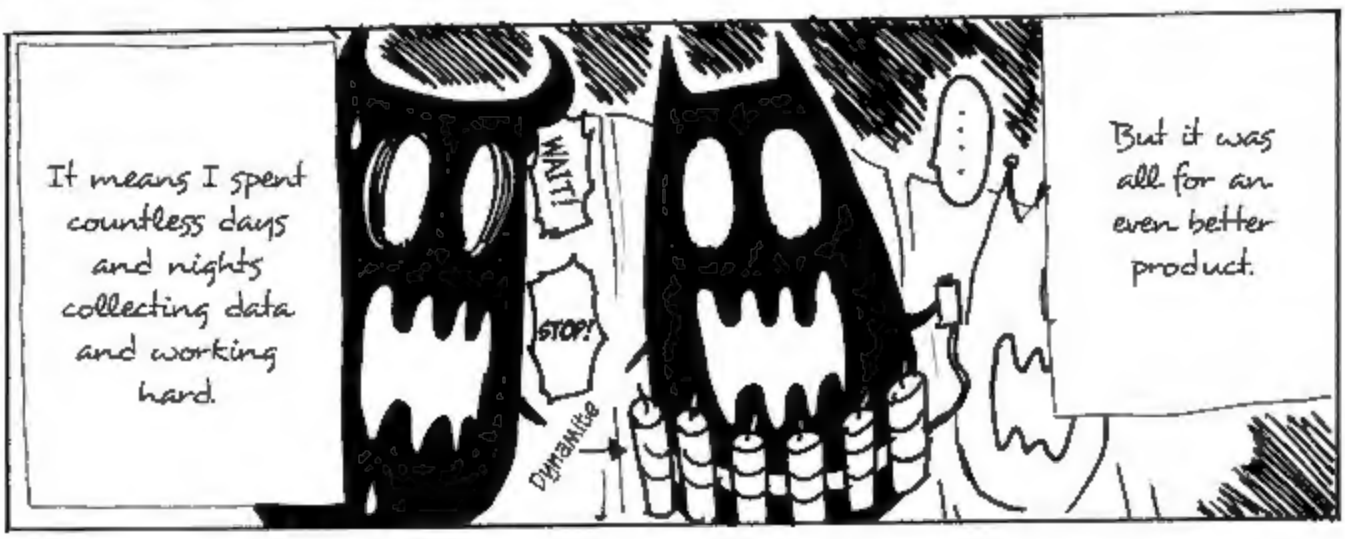

While I was working on this, I was so moved that tears started flowing.
EEK!
WAAH!
Now that I think about it, one and a half years have passed since this serialization began...

sfx: Spin Spin

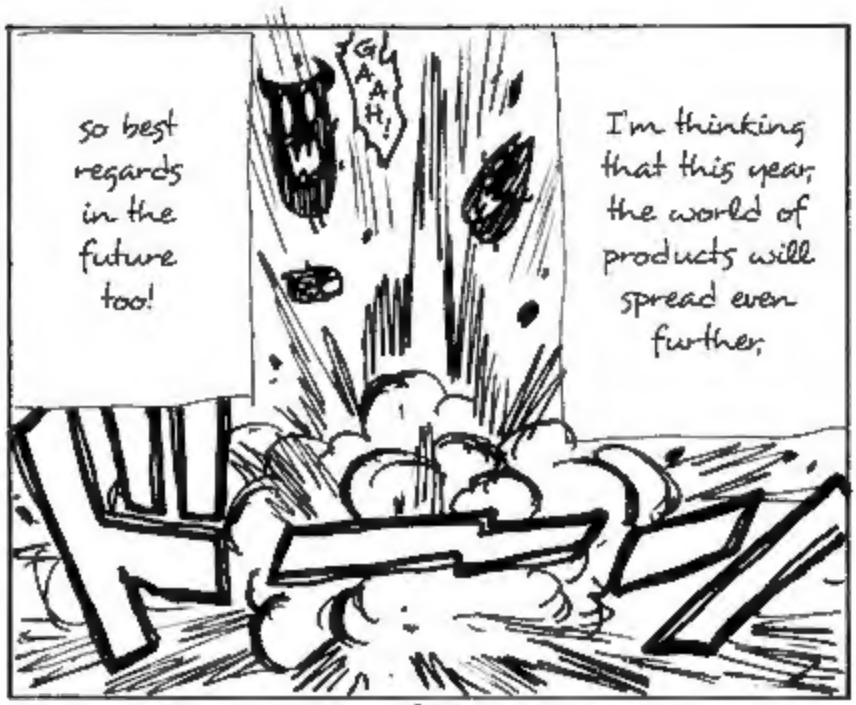


HUH?
Hmm, movie theatres really are great.
The best part is when it becomes dark before the movie starts.


I also went to a friend's wedding.
IT'S JUST UNTIL THEY LOOK FOR US, RIGHT?
Even though it was right before the deadline,
CON-GRATS!
LET'S GO BACK!
I'M IN!


It means I spent countless days and nights collecting data and working hard.
WAIT!
STOP!
Dynamite
But it was all for an even better product.

STAFF
(BATTLE PERSONNEL)
-OOZUKA-SAN
-QAZ-KUN
-LEO-KUN
-MOMOSE-SAN
-AYUMI-SAN
-KUMA-CHAN
-HIROKO-OBASAN
-KANADA-KUN
-HIRAMA-SAN
-NAKAYAMA-SAN
THANK YOU!


so best regards in the future too!
GAAH!
I'm thinking that this year, the world of products will spread even further,

sfx: Boom

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